



Signal Corps Photo

BOUND for the invasion of Southern France, soldiers and sailors aboard an LST-4 spent considerable time singing hymns.

Many Paint Bright Pictures

Nation Is Gearing For Postwar

WASHINGTON—American industry will not lack for liquid funds in its working capital to reconvert to peacetime production and to undertake considerable expansion.

Figures compiled by the Securities and Exchange Commission show that American corporations will open the postwar era with an over-all working capital of \$3 billion dollars as of April 1 this year, the highest amount in history.

Working on the thesis that it is better to make a small profit on huge production than a great profit on just a few items, this has meant that profits on units produced have been smaller—in some instances the smallest in history—but the amount produced has been so immense that over-all corporate profits—even after taxes—are now running ahead of peacetime boom years in many industries.

While the huge net working capi-

tal is based primarily on retained profits accumulated during the war itself, corporations are piling up reserves for the postwar transition era in another way. Postwar credits in refundable taxes, which the Government will hand back to the companies when the contracts are cancelled or the war is over, reached the figure of \$1,600,000,000 as of April 1. This is a jump of \$200,000,000 since the start of the year. Since April the figure has continued to increase.

The final aspect of the picture is that these reserves of corporations, in the way of net working capital,

Too Little And Too Late Now Another Story

WASHINGTON—The "too little, too late" era of the United Nations' participation in the war is gone.

Germany and Japan can gain neither aid nor comfort from the figures dug up by research experts of the Foreign Policy Association, who found that after the war the United States alone will hold an estimated:

- 53,101 Killed.
- 142,636 Wounded.
- 44,643 Missing.
- 44,403 Prisoners.
- Of the wounded, 60,314 have been returned to duty.

The total casualties have increased by 23,249 since the report released a week ago. This largely reflects a period of heaviest fighting in northern France near the end of July.

Honor Medal Awarded Four Valorous Yanks

WASHINGTON—Award of the Medal of Honor, the Nation's highest decoration for gallantry in action, has been made to three members of the Infantry and one in the Army Air Forces, the War Department announces. Recipients are:

1st Lt. Arnold L. Bjorklund, of Seattle, Wash.

S/Sgt. Jesse R. Drowley, of Luverne, Mich.

T/Sgt. Forrest L. Vosler, of Linton, N. Y.

Pfc. William J. Johnston, of Colchester, Conn.

Lieutenant Bjorklund, now 26 years old, and who when but 19 prospected for gold in Alaska, performed his gallant deed at Alta Villa, Italy. Leading his rifle platoon of the 36th Infantry Division, he used three hand grenades to destroy two machine guns and a heavy mortar and to kill seven Germans.

The young officer had three squads which he could have sent on the hazardous mission, but preferred to

do the job himself. Wounded the day following his exploit, Lieutenant Bjorklund is now recuperating at McCaw General Hospital, Walla Walla, Wash., from injuries to his feet and right arm.

Saves Three Under Fire

Sergeant Drowley, 24-year-old leader of a machine gun section in the American Infantry Division, won his award for saving three buddies on Bougainville. During an attack on Jap positions, he saw three members of his Infantry company fall wounded in a hail of enemy fire. Aid men could not reach them. Voluntarily leaving his place of comparative safety, Sergeant Drowley dashed into the open, dragged two of the men back to cover and assisted in saving the third. Following the rescues, Sergeant Drowley fought valiantly from atop a tank. During this attack, an enemy slug tore into his chest. Later, a bullet knocked out his left eye, but he did not quit

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the battlefronts.

In reply to his inquiry as to possibilities for termination of the European war, Mr. Forrestal said General Eisenhower had replied he did not think there was any rational way to appraise the situation.

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Allies Approach Germany; Reds Gain Rich Oil Fields

WASHINGTON—On all fronts, the Axis suffered extremely devastating reverses this week, telling blows that should materially advance war's end in Europe and soften up the Nips for the final blow.

Germans, who through the week have been falling back upon their homeland, were particularly hard-pressed Wednesday when American

armored columns of the Yanks' 1st and 3rd Armies rolled through the cathedral city of Reims and on to within 36 miles of the Belgian border. Relentlessly, Allies drive towards Germany.

Climaxing a spectacular 12-day campaign, which had seen them capture more than 200 towns, Red troops completely cleared Nazis out of the rich Ploesti oil fields. Penetrating the Bucharest area, the Russians thus linked up their two armies in the Romanian theater.

Hounding Retreaters

Along a 20-mile stretch of the Rhone Valley, American forces continued their vigorous pursuit of Germany's 19th Army, endeavoring to retreat from southern France through the Lorio country. In desperation, the Nazis sent a striking column across the Alps from northwestern Italy to attack the Yank garrison at Briancon, eight miles inside France. While Americans were driven out of the fortress with some

Corporal Lay Must Explain Kissing Pix

Overseas GIs will do well to turn their faces when pix men click their cameras on scenes of doughboys being osculated by French damsels. When Cpl. William R. Lay, U. S. Engineers, returns to Chicago, he will have some tall explaining to do to his wife, pestered by friends with inquiries as to a photo appearing in a newspaper and showing the soldier being ardently embraced by a mademoiselle.

Authorizing a census to be taken of industry, labor, wages and other economic factors for the present year as substitute for the regular biennial census of manufacture, the President said that in this way he thought it would be possible "to avoid the necessity of appropriations for the regular biennial census of manufactures pertaining to 1945."

And in Seattle, in a speech to the Chamber of Commerce, Chester Bowles, Administrator of OPA, presented an 11-point program which he said was necessary to insure "a stable, full-employment economy" after the war.

He said "we can't go back" even to our 1940 levels, which would mean a more than 30 per cent cut in the present level of production "and a shocking figure of 20,000,000 unemployed—an increase of 12,000,000 over the actual unemployment

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That pre-war girdles—especially sizes 24 and 26—are in wide demand among girls at the Pentagon Building was shown when an ad offered two "pure rubber models" for sale. Unfortunately, the ad in error directed inquiries to the telephone exchange of a dignified Air Forces colonel, who received no less than 200 inquiries from young women eager to "come and try on your girdle."

While the Germans did take the bulk of the rarest French brandies and a great deal of champagne (See PRAGH, Page 16)

Losses Total 1,279,000

WASHINGTON—Losses to the Army of the United States through deaths and other causes from the beginning of the present war through June 30, 1944, totaled 1,279,000, the War Department announced Thursday.

The latest available cumulative figures (to the nearest thousand) show losses from December 7, 1941 through June 30, 1944, to be as follows:

	OFFICERS	ENLISTED	TOTAL
Total deaths (battle and non battle)	16,000	58,000	74,000
Honorable discharges	17,000	950,000	967,000
Prisoners of war and missing	16,000	56,000	72,000
Other separations	4,000	162,000	166,000
Totals	53,000	1,226,000	1,279,000

The foregoing figures do not include discharges of enlisted men to accept commissions in the Army of the United States. "Other separations" includes men who were placed in an inactive status, personnel given discharges other than honorable, retirements of Regular Army personnel and other miscellaneous separations.

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WD Hasn't Commented

Point Discharge Plan Discussed

WASHINGTON—Although the War Department has yet to outline its demobilization plan, it is understood that the plan will soon be ready.

In the meantime considerable speculation has been aroused by the announcement last week that the War Department favors a point-system of discharges.

If the point system of grading soldiers for discharge is adopted, men may be given one credit for each child with the result that a man with seven children might be in the same position as a man who has seen action overseas.

Many Problems

Regardless of how desirable a plan may be for discharging servicemen in a certain order, it has been pointed out that pressure from families may cause Congress to get the men back home as fast as transportation is available.

Also to be considered in the problem is the number of men demanded for occupational duties after hostilities cease.

Under the point system, it is understood, points will be awarded for participation in battles, foreign service, medals, injuries, length of service, marital status and dependents.

Only those with high points can be expected to be demobilized after hostilities cease in Europe.

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priorities to fathers point out that if there was a reason for delaying their induction there is an equal reason for bringing them back first. They point toward the rising juvenile delinquency and also argue that fathers are more likely to be established in business and could provide jobs for other veterans.

Not Considered

Occupational skills and job opportunities are not given consideration under the point system, it is

understood.

It is also understood that the plan does not provide release of men still in this country simply because they could be discharged with the least difficulty. Some of these men, it was indicated, will be sent overseas to replace seasoned veterans in occupation troops.

Youths will continue to be drafted after the European War ends, according to present plans, to be trained for the fight against Japan.

Maintain Peace With Force If Needed, VFW Declaration

CHICAGO—A standing army of no less than 3,000,000 men, with up-to-date equipment, and using force if needed to maintain peace, was favored by the 45th National Encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Declaring that the nation was "totally unprepared for World War II," the resolution maintained that "our Allies held the enemy while the United States could mobilize, at a cost of money, men, and materials out of all proportion to the need if the nation had been adequately prepared."

By a vote of 2,848 to 1,946, the convention defeated a proposed amendment to admit women—Wacs and nurses—to its membership.

Jean A. Brunner, of Forest Hills, Queens, N. Y., was elected national commander.

Indications were that nothing could be done until after the November elections and that a strong move would be started then to have the legislation enacted before a new Congress come in January.

that compulsory training of all able-bodied youths must be the keystone of a sound peacetime military program, leaders of the House Post-War Military Policy Committee are not certain as to the best time to put that controversy before Congress.

A pool of committee members disclosed general fear that delay in consideration of compulsory peacetime draft legislation would encounter the risk of a pacifist reaction from a weary public, while immediate consideration might turn it into a political football.

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Finance Officer Stuck With A Lead Quarter

AN AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND BASE IN GREAT BRITAIN—Lt. M. A. Wogaman, Dayton, Ohio, of the USAAF Air Transport Command holds some kind of record among finance officers. At this European Division Air Transport Command base where passengers arrive from all corners of the globe he has exchanged every kind of currency there is. He's handled piastres, pesetas, milreis, West African francs, Indo-Chinese francs, yen, sen, and what not. Only the other day did his office get stuck with its first piece of counterfeit money. It was a lead U. S. quarter.



—Signal Corps Photo

TOWING an eight-inch gun, truck carrying members of an artillery unit roars over the highways of France towards Brest. It is such artillery support that has paved the way for the rapid American advance in France.

Jitterbuggers Awarded Kiss

U. S. ARMY FORCES IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC — If they ever suffered morale ailments, Pvt. Robert L. McMullan, Los Angeles, Calif., and Private First Class Nick Curri, Utica, N. Y., are cured now.

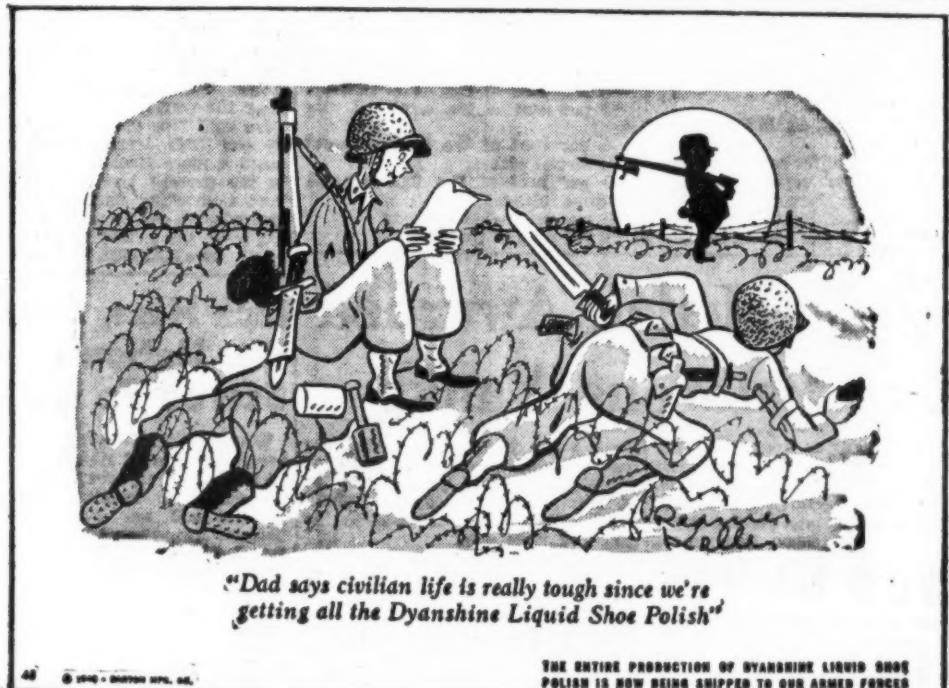
Pvt. McMullan and Pfc. Curri were chosen to engage cinema star Carole Landis, touring the Southwest Pacific with Jack Benny's troupe, in a jitterbug contest. Miss Landis rewarded the contestants with a kiss.

Both soldiers declared they had experienced no greater thrill since leaving San Francisco two years ago. They expect to see nothing like it again until they reach the Golden Gate.

Show Circuit

CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON, Fla.—The tremendous success of recent home talent variety shows at this Army Service Forces Training Center is calling for an encore and talent discovered here is leading to the formation of a three-way vaudeville and show circuit with Dale Mabry Field, Tallahassee, and Finney General Hospital, Thomasville, Ga., as the other two members.

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WASHINGTON—The biggest Santa Claus of them all, the Army Exchange Service, has started its "do your Christmas shopping early" campaign—and by early it means right now.

For overseas Joes, who can't join the Night-before-Christmas department store crowds the Exchange Service has issued its "Christmas Gift Suggestions" catalogue, whose pages sparkle with good things to buy.

The catalogue's number one item is war bonds, for a home, for family, for education—but for those who want to contribute toward a gift-decked tree or a jam-packed stocking the catalogue has suggestions for every member of the family.

For mother, sister or the "best gal" the catalogue lists perfumes, jewelry, compacts and other women's niceties—all of them the very best.

The APO soldier can buy a tie, shaving kit, key chain and other items for dad and bud. Books, playing cards, luggage, cigarette cases and other welcome gifts are listed in the catalogue for relatives and friends.

Naturally there is a children's section with dolls and other toys. Consideration is also given to the old holiday gift reliable, candy.

The Army Exchange Service's claim to being the biggest Santa Claus is borne out by the 360,000 orders handled last Christmas.

But even this large total will be small fry compared to the 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 orders expected this year.

Operating on a non-profit basis the Army Exchange Gift Service isn't just a holiday organization. It provides gifts for every occasion, birthdays, Mother's Day, Easter and any other time a soldier feels like sending.

Network Will Use Contest Plays, Skits

CLEVELAND—The National Theatre Conference's Second Playwriting contest for men and women in the U. S. Armed Forces, recently announced, has an interesting feature associated with it in that Blue Network has announced a new dramatic series featuring plays entered in the contest.

The contest offers prizes totaling \$1,500. The mailing deadline for the camps division is November 1, 1944; for the overseas division, December 1, 1944. Details and rules of the contest may be secured from: "Second Playwriting Contest, National Theater Conference, Western Reserve University, Cleveland 6, Ohio.

The Blue Network's Dramatic Series is scheduled as a once-a-week program, to be continued for as many weeks as the quality of material received justifies. Material used for the series will be paid for at customary sustaining rates, that is, for radio plays approximately 28 minutes in length, written especially for radio, a minimum of \$200. For similar plays, approximately 14 minutes in length, a minimum of \$125, and for blackouts, short skits and radio playlets ranging from five to seven minutes, a minimum of \$50.

Profit By Saving Program

OGDEN, Utah—Since the initiation of the Suggestion Award program at the Utah ASF Depot in June, 1943, an estimated saving of \$23,416.24 to the government has been effected by means of suggestions for improvements submitted by employees at this installation.

ing a gift to someone.

It is big business. During the first six months of 1944 840,000 orders were placed through the gift service. Last week 9,112 Christmas orders had already been sent in, totaling \$47,741.

The service is made as simple as possible for the soldiers overseas. Joe goes into one of the many PX units, selects his gift and places his order. The order is sent to the New York office, where the merchandise is procured and where arrangements have been made to have the gifts wrapped

in Christmas gift packages and mailed to arrive as close as possible to a specified date.

In the event the item is broken or not delivered the money is refunded. The Exchange Service operates entirely without profit.

The tremendous volume of business done by the Service shows how well the soldiers like their year-around Santa Claus.

But Joe in uniform is no different than Joe in civvies, for when in doubt what to buy for that gal he sends flowers or candy.



—Signal Corps Photo

NURSES recruited in New York City for Free French Army service dress wound of a French soldier near Echouche, France. Only a few hundred yards from them are the front lines. Nurses (left to right) are: Yvonne Barbuer, former secretary to George Blumenthal, of the Metropolitan Museum, New York; Head Nurse Edna Bratianu, niece of the Prime Minister of Rumania, and Helene Farre, daughter of Leon Fabre, head of the French Merchant Marine.

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Commands Wac Detachment

CAMP ELLIS, Ill.—Second Lt. Isabel A. Boone, formerly Theatre Officer here, has been named commanding officer of the WAC Detachment, replacing Capt. Esther C. Patterson, who has been transferred to another station, it is announced by Col. John S. Sullivan, camp commander.

One of Quadruplets Dies at Gainesville

GAINESVILLE, Ga.—Quadruplets, all boys, were born Sunday to Mrs. Charles E. Lee, wife of a soldier at Camp Blanding, Fla. One died, but the three others are in good condition. Medical sources said quadruplets are born only once in 757,000 births.



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Familiar Battle Grounds

Yanks are streaking over battlefields today where their fathers fought bloody hand-to-hand battles in World War 1.

The Marne River, Reims, Chateau-Thierry, Soissons and Rouen scenes of horrible conflict in the first World War, are but stepping stones in the Allied drive toward Belgium and Germany. The Marne, which flowed red with blood 26 years ago, was oil-streaked as Allied tanks pushed on. The Third Army captured Reims, great siege city of World War 1, without firing a shot.

This great advance toward the German border is a tribute to the courage and foresight of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. It was his orders that sent Gen. George Patton, Jr., on his now famous slashing tank attack, which trapped and eventually broke the German defenses east of Paris.

Fighting a daring, gambling war, General "Ike" has cut casualties to a minimum, has advanced the Allied schedule far beyond any point dreamed of two months ago.

Paris Welcomed Ike

After a wild night of celebrating Paris got out of bed to yell itself hoarse in welcoming General "Ike" and his British, French and American staffs.

A little girl presented him with flowers—which the Kansas man accepted with blushes and a flustered "thanks." Parisians staged a frenzied demonstration.

They weren't expecting the Allies for six months—but they were there. They wanted to thank the man responsible for their liberation. Their cheers were cheers for every Allied serviceman and woman.

"I have come here to pay the tribute of the Allied forces to the indomitable spirit of Paris," the Allied Supreme Commander solemnly stated.

Stories of German Atrocities

The liberation of German-occupied Europe cannot come too soon. Already almost unbelievable stories of atrocities and cruelties are pouring out of the liberated lands in a great stream.

They are stories which one would believe of a savage, uneducated nation—not a nation which has produced great scientists, philosophers and educators. Yet, the very volume of the stories lends an undebatable air of authority to them.

There are stories of torture, needles rammed under finger-nails, electric wires inserted in the rectum, teeth knocked out, tongues, eyes and vitals cut out, men hanged on meat hooks to slowly die. There were firing squads, hangings and plain unadorned murders. Victims were left unburied in the sun to torture relatives.

But the most terrible place on the face of the earth was found at the German concentration camp at Maidanek. There authorities believe 1,500,000 persons from nearly every country in Europe have been killed. The majority gassed and cremated, their ashes used for fertilizer. Others killed by firing squads. One known case burned alive.

The liberation of Europe cannot come too soon. But the bitter hatred for Germans will live for years in the hearts of people of many nations.

Unconditional Surrender

Lt. Gen. Kurt Dittmar, speaking from Germany, admitted that the defeat of Germany is growing near. He intimated that Germans are desirous of a negotiated peace.

Secretary of State Hull, speaking for the American government, gave Germany the only acceptable terms—unconditional surrender.

Silver Star For Gen. Fred Walker

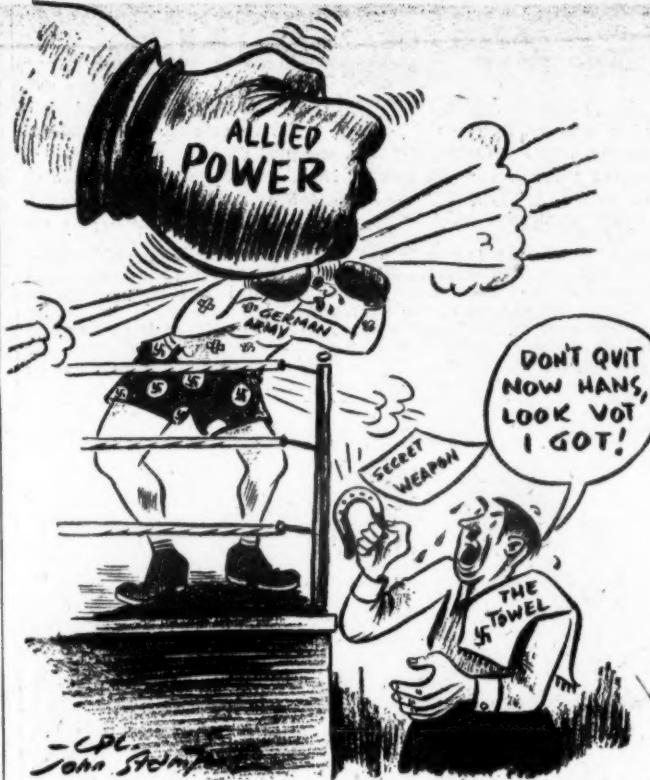
FORT BENNING, Ga.—Maj. Gen. Fred L. Walker, Commandant of The Infantry School, was recently presented the Silver Star for Gallantry in action from June 5 to 7, 1944, in Italy. The presentation was made by Maj. Gen. Harry F. Hazlett, Commanding General, Replacement and School Command, Birmingham, Ala. General Walker previously had been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

New Pin-up Slant

FORT WORTH, Tex.—A soldier here has a new slant on the serviceman's pin-up fad to boost morale.

Instead of the usual picture of a glamorous gal, he has a single picture clipped from a magazine advertisement tacked to the inside of his foot locker.

The picture—a neatly tied blue and red four-in-hand adorning the collar of a white shirt.

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**

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e/o PM, San Francisco, Calif.

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ROBERT C. RICHARDSON, JR.,
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding.

At Your Service

Q. May an animal be decorated for service by the War Dept?

A. No, only human beings may be decorated; animals may be given citations.

Q. Who has the highest rank, a Flight Officer or a 2d Lieutenant?

A. A 2d Lt. ranks a Flight Officer.

Q. Can my husband receive an honorable discharge because of his age?

A. No, the War Dept. has recently said there will be no more discharges for over age.

Q. Is a Warrant Officer (jg) entitled to mustering out pay?

A. Any soldier is entitled to mustering out pay if honorably discharged (with a few exceptions) if his base pay is not more than \$200.00 a month.

Q. Is a Warrant Officer entitled to the benefits of the new G. I. Bill?

A. Yes, a Warrant Officer is eligible for benefits under the G. I. Bill if he is discharged under conditions other than dishonorable and served after Sept. 16, 1940, and has served a minimum of 90 days, or was discharged because of injury incurred in line of duty.

Q. My husband is a 2d Lt. and I have a new baby. Does the Government pay an allowance for each child?

A. As your husband is a commissioned officer there is no Government allowance paid for each child. He draws rental and subsistence allowance as a married man and the amount remains the same regardless of the number of dependents he may

have. Army Times presents herewith an Information Bureau on GI matters of all kinds, conducted weekly by the American Legion.

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have.

Q. My husband went into the Army in June and I understood I was to receive his mustering-in pay about a week later. I have received one check in July and one in August from Newark, N. J., shouldn't I have one for June?

A. You have been paid in full to date. You would not receive the so-called mustering-in pay, which is actually initial payment of Family Allowance, unless the soldier requested it within 15 days after entering the service. As he entered in June and you received a check in July from Newark, N. J., it appears that he simply filed application to be effective June 1, 1944, payment due in July. The check received in August is for July; August payment is due in Sept. You do not lose a soldier did not request the initial payment because of the fact the payment; if he had your application it would have been effective the 1st of July instead of June.

Q. My son went into the Army this month and his wife received a check for \$100 from his camp. She gave me \$50.00 of this, but we don't live together and I would rather my checks came to me. What can I do about it?

A. The initial payment of Family Allowance made soon after the soldier enters service may be made payable to one person only for all of his dependents. Checks issued thereafter will probably be made payable to one person only for all of his dependents. Checks issued thereafter will probably be made payable to each of you unless the soldier requested otherwise.

The above questions and answers were furnished to Army Times by the Public Relations Officer, First Service Command, Boston, Mass.

Letters

According to a recent Army Times story General Simpson is CG of the Fourth Army. I understand the CG was General Lucas.

T/4 H. N. Carr,
Camp Livingston, La.

Gentlemen:

For things to be snafu is really nothing new, I shouldn't really fret About a simple error, yet If someday I hear "tenshun!" And I report it's Simpson, For me 'twill be tough luck as— I should have known 'twas Lucas!

T/4 Alexander Woehrle,
Camp Polk, La.

(WD PRO tells us T/4 Woehrle will be on the beam if he gives General Simpson the high ball.—Ed.)

Gentlemen:

In your issue of August 14 you carried a story in which Lt. Lee A. Stockblower was credited with some kind of a record as patch collector.

You say his collection numbers 187 after three years of collecting. I have collected them for less than a year and now have over 300 different ones.

Pfc. Paul E. Rector,
Camp Breckinridge, Ky.

Gentlemen:
I have collected 224 patches in two years.

T/Sgt. D. S. Weber, Fort Riley, Kans., had 288 on June 28, 1944.
S/Sgt. H. M. Zeller, Denver, Colo.

Gentlemen:

I have been a patch collector for the past year and have to date collected 350 different patches—including General "Ike" Eisenhower's invasion patch.

Cpl. Frank J. Glaimo,
Camp Shelby, Miss.

Gentlemen:

It has been said that the GI's in Europe will not be able to go home as there is no means of transportation.

Yet I've talked with skippers of Liberty ships here in Normandy and they state that all they carry back to U. S. is shale for ballast.

Again, if it is impossible for the men to get home from here, how 'll they be going home "Via Port Said and Tokyo" if there is the scarceness claimed in transportation?

It seems strange that there was a shortage of ships to get the men here. But to return them is another story.

Does this also mean that GI's in U. S. cannot be shipped to the Pacific the short way, from San Francisco, or does the government figure it will cost more to send them from here in Europe? A glance at the map will show that from here to Rangoon is thousands of miles, not to speak of other points in the Pacific.

This is my own opinion and does not express what others may feel about it.

Pvt. Robert A. Morgan,
APO 230, New York.

Gentlemen:

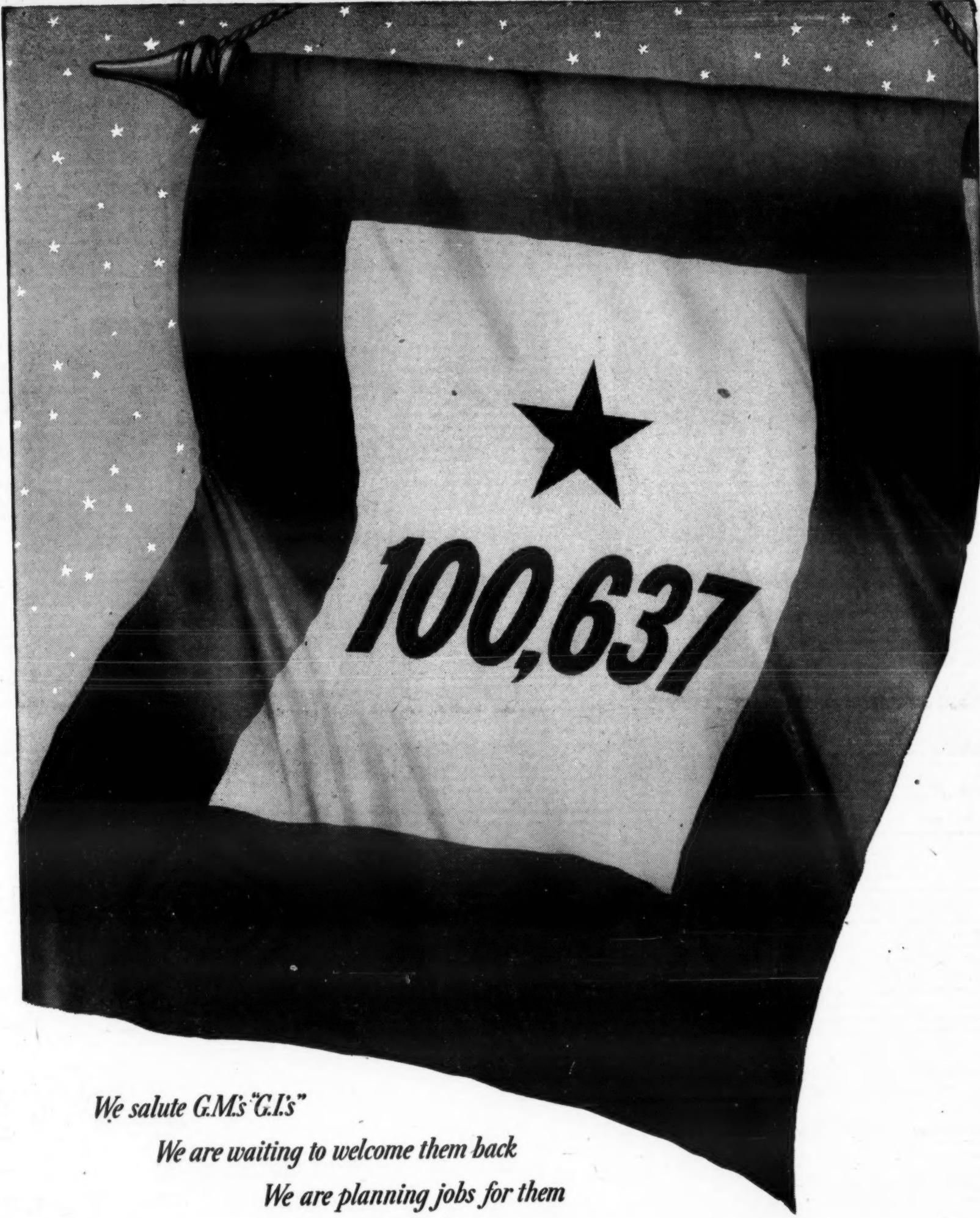
Just a word to tell you that the Army Times is like tiny furloughs to me. Honestly, it is one of the most interesting and enjoyable pieces of literature I have ever read. Therefore, I'm enclosing money for a subscription for my fiancee. I'm sure she'll enjoy it as much as I do.

Pfc. Brody
Camp Maxey, Tex.

Q. My son went into the Army this month and his wife received a check for \$100 from his camp. She gave me \$50.00 of this, but we don't live together and I would rather my checks came to me. What can I do about it?

A. The initial payment of Family Allowance made soon after the soldier enters service may be made payable to one person only for all of his dependents. Checks issued thereafter will probably be made payable to one person only for all of his dependents. Checks issued thereafter will probably be made payable to each of you unless the soldier requested otherwise.

The above questions and answers were furnished to Army Times by the Public Relations Officer, First Service Command, Boston, Mass.



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OFFICIAL town flag of Le Muy is presented by the mayor to Maj. Gen. Robert T. Frederick, CG, First Special Task Force. Ceremony followed liberation of the little city.

Idaho Has Much to Offer GI Joe

By Governor C. A. Bottolfsen

To the G. I. Joe of today, Idaho has much to offer when he becomes John Q. Citizen again.

While industries are shifting from war to peace, Idaho can hire men in farming, mining, and forestry because these are basic industries which require little or no conversion, and industries which require raw products have practically no backlog of materials, and civilian needs have been accumulating.

To bridge any possible gap in employment, the State has its own construction needs which have been accumulating since 1941 for hospitals, penitentiary, schools and other public buildings. The plans are already well along for these needs, and financing can all be done by the State, which is for the first time in history, debt free and operating with a good cash reserve. Further emergency work can be supplied by the highway program, which can be expanded or contracted to fit needs and financing. The total program involves ninety two million dollars worth of roads, and a program of several million dollars could be ready in thirty days' time.

Reclamation Projects

Also to provide temporary employment and permanent productive homes, Idaho has a program of reclamation projects ready which would cost 158 million dollars to complete. This will, when completed, provide acres of new irrigated lands for future homes, (1,500,000) acres with proven production on our already existing 2,225,000 acres to show what can be done. These would not be "marginal" homes, but sound, progressive farms capable of providing the best type of living. The standard forty year repayment plan for reclamation means that this would create none but a funded debt, and permits beginning with a small amount of capital.

In the timber lands of the State, some 20,000,000 acres of forest, we have a trust and a challenge to convert this vast area into "timber crop land" instead of simply "logging it off." The establishment of a permanent system is imperative and it alone will offer many opportunities. At the present time the State owns and has for sale some 28 million board feet of ripe, merchantable timber.

Because of the distances from markets, our mines have skimmed only the cream of the crop. Pacific coast industrialization accomplished during the war has moved marketing areas closer to us, and with cheaper transportation arising from naviga-



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flying service, hopping over our mountains and inaccessible canyons instead of going around. It will supplement all our present industries and can be made the best adjunct to a future tourist trade to take the man who is tired of civilization immediately into the primitive areas.

Abundant opportunities exist for developing the tourist trade; our altitudes range from 738 to 12,655 feet, rainfall ranging from 8 to more than 70 inches, indicate the variety of possibilities. Needs here range from a corner service station being re-opened, or packer's cabin built in the wilderness to places and possibilities of several more institutions like Sun Valley.

New techniques developed during the war also add to the possibilities on the farm, in the forest or the mine. These are the industries where we need younger men of vision and daring more than in our older ones. They offer the greatest possibilities for individual effort and reward.

Manufacturing

We could develop manufacturing of almost any of our products, since virtually everything is shipped out

Sound opportunities for energetic and ambitious veterans of the present world-wide conflict, particularly in the commercial, industrial, educational and agricultural fields will be abundantly available in Massachusetts after the war.

The pioneer spirit which began here more than three centuries ago and reached its first full fruits with the advent of the famous Clipper ships in the early 1800's and the opening of world trade is again with us.

And, as it was then, ships lead the way. Only this time the ships have wings instead of sails. For the airplane has come of age.

What does this mean in international reconstruction opportunities for Massachusetts? We have a decidedly favorable geographic advantage. Our capital city of Boston is several hundred miles nearer the coast of Europe than any other large city in the country. We are the last logical passenger and cargo refueling port for non-stop flights from anywhere in this country to Great Britain, Europe and North Africa. We have direct connections

now either as raw material, or at best, semi-finished. Dehydration, quick freezing of food stuffs, which we produce abundantly, are naturals for Idaho; the ground work has been already accomplished, expansion is the next step ahead. We have hydroelectric power for any and all needs.

In the development of the Pacific basin as the ocean of the next century, including its myriad islands, Alaska, and the hordes of Asian population, we have a very natural outlet to the Pacific coast and this great market of the future. The Snake River is the chief tributary of the Columbia, the only river that cuts through the mountains and then opens the back country to the ocean.

Every Federal benefit for veterans will be available in Idaho, with an active Veterans' Welfare Commission ready to assist in obtaining these benefits; preference is already established for veteran employment in all public works and positions; preference is given for new land filings.

Idaho is a young state, and we need the aggressiveness of young veterans to bring our undeveloped resources into production. We have more than mere living space, we also offer room in which to grow.

Foods Are Flown To Hungry French

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, Allied Expeditionary Force—American and British transport planes took 500 tons of emergency food supplies from a British base and landed them near Paris in the first of several such movements planned to relieve the food shortages in Paris.

This air transport supplemented stocks being rushed to Paris by land from supply depots in Normandy.

Nazis Are Brutal To Fortress Crew

ELBEUF, France—The French underground chief of Elbeuf declared that crew members of an American Flying Fortress were publicly beaten, manacled and driven through the streets of this town by the Germans in a vain effort to impress the inhabitants.

"The American fliers were magnificent. They laughed in the faces of the Germans while they were being paraded with their hands chained together."

Massachusetts Offers Abundant Opportunities

By Governor Leverett Saltonstall

with the vast neighbor continent to the south.

The groundwork for the capitalization of these new opportunities is now being laid.

In Boston the enlargement of what eventually will be one of the country's largest and best equipped airports is well advanced.

And you can put your finger on almost any community in Massachusetts and find an airport within a few miles, many of them being constantly improved. Plans for others are progressing.

On the world timetable of tomorrow, we visualize Boston as a major air terminal—as the funnel through which much of post-war Atlantic traffic will flow.

Surely the air-minded veteran fits into this picture.

Vast new improvements in our harbor installations for sea-borne trade also have been made.



Governor Saltonstall

Industrially we are one of the most important producing areas in the country with a highly developed surface transportation system and important post-war improvements already blue-printed. Outstanding in its contribution to the flow of ships, guns, airplane parts, ammunition, and other war supplies, Massachusetts is ready for a quick return to peacetime commodity manufacturing.

The Commonwealth, fortunately, has few reconversion problems.

Varied County

This all means the early stimulation of our present industries and the attracting of new ones with more jobs and opportunities of advancement in a closely compact state which yearly attracts many thousands of vacationists because of ideal recreational facilities and climate. Seashore, mountains and quiet countryside are within easy reach of all. The ski trails of the beautiful Berkshire Hills in western Massachusetts will be an added attraction to our soldiers who have become expert in this sport during the war.

In education and hospitalization, Massachusetts is a leader among the states. Its technical schools, intermediate, collegiate and graduate are well and favorably known.

Industrial concerns all over the country seek the services of their graduates. There are Massachusetts Institute of Technology and such outstanding technical schools for industrial education as Tufts Engineering School, Harvard Engineering School, Northeastern University, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Lowell Textile Institute, Wentworth Institute, Franklin Institute and Rindge Technical School.

Although the Commonwealth is a great industrial state, and I venture to say that there is hardly a home in the country without some article made in Massachusetts, here too are opportunities in the working of the soil.

Thousands of acres of Massachusetts land in the fertile Connecticut

Valley, on famous Cape Cod, and in scores of other localities have, as our Commissioner of Agriculture points out, only been scratched in their possibilities of food production.

Massachusetts soil is ready to add stability to the economy of thousands of part-time farmers and to produce thousands of tons more food for our population.

Permanent Future

The Commonwealth is one of the most densely populated in the Union, with almost 550 people per square mile. Yet, over 90 per cent of our 4,300,000 people are crowded into thickly settled areas which constitute only 5 per cent of our space. It is plain then that 95 per cent of Massachusetts is open rural countryside.

Many full-time commercial farmers have reached their status through initial experience gained from part-time farming and the accumulation of capital from non-farm employment. To the war veteran who will turn to the kind of farming best suited to the industrialized communities of the Northeast, I say in all seriousness that farming in Massachusetts offers a permanent future in healthful and wholesome surroundings.

The public health service in Massachusetts is efficiently administered, and its fire and police protection is soundly organized. The water supply is high in quality and purity.

Massachusetts, then, offers a full richness of life in an environment of stability. In educational and cultural opportunities, in all essentials of good living, the Commonwealth has a great deal that attracts. Its institutions are pre-eminent; its governmental activities outstanding; its economy well balanced.

To these opportunities in Massachusetts we point with justifiable pride. And to the returned veteran we extend a hearty welcome to share in these opportunities.

First Woman to Be Made Topkick Home from Europe

WASHINGTON—1st/Sgt. Virginia M. Rosekrans, who was the first woman to attain the grade of first sergeant, has returned from Europe to enter officer candidate school at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., it was announced by the War Department.

Sergeant Rosekrans joined the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps in July, 1942, and went to Des Moines, Ia., with the first group of women recruits. On Sept. 9, 1942, she was appointed a first sergeant. She has been "topkick" for WAC companies at the Army Administration School at Commerce, Tex., at the training center at Daytona Beach, Fla., and Fort Devens, Mass., and for the past 13 months at an Army Air Forces headquarters in England.

During her service in England Sergeant Rosekrans gave instructions in pitching shelter halves, packing haversacks, close order drill, and numerous other training subjects.

Get Good Scores In Firing Tests

FORT BRAGG, N.C.—In a tabulation of results of the Platoon Combat firing tests of the 100th Infantry Division here, two units of the 397th Infantry, one from the 398th, and one from the 399th, are shown to have scored the highest in the exacting tests of various phases of combat operations.

Emerging with top averages in the stiff competition of the four types of platoon tests were: 1st Platoon, Company G, 397th, under T/Sgt. Thomas L. Busbee, of Fort Valley, Ga., scoring 89.0 percent in rifle platoon tests; 1st platoon, Company H, 397th, commanded by Lt. Vincent A. Laudone, of Norwich, Conn., scoring 90.4 in the 30 calibre machinegun platoon tests; 2nd platoon, Antitank Company, 398th, under Lt. Robert Fitzsimmons, of West Rutland, Vt., with 87.2 in the 57-millimeter antitank gun platoon tests; and, Company B, 399th, under S/Sgt. Valentine J. DeLuca, of Amsterdam, N.Y., with 92.6 percent in weapons platoon firing.

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FRENCH child presents a bouquet to two U. S. Army nurses at the dedication ceremonies of a general hospital. The nurses are Lt. Frances Wallace, of Lone Wolf, Okla., and Lt. Helen Wilson, of Middleville, Mich. The hospital is now caring for wounded American, Free French and German soldiers.

British Add 'Crocodile' Flame Gun to Their Churchill Tanks

WASHINGTON—Existence of a previously secret deadly weapon known as the "Crocodile," which is used in conjunction with the Churchill tank and throws a "geyser of fire" for a distance of more than 450 feet, was revealed here in a joint announcement by the British Supply Council and British Army Staff.

The device is attached to the heavily armored, 41-ton Churchill tank, with the fuel carried in an armored trailer. The trailer is ingeniously devised so that it can be controlled from the tank and moved in any direction, and, if necessary, it can be jettisoned so that the tank may operate normally. The British,

who normally are not given to overstatement, unequivocally call the "Crocodile" the "most powerful flame-thrower in the world."

Inquiries at the United States War Department as to whether our forces are using similar devices brought the reply that any similar American weapons which might exist were still on the "classified" list.

Honor Medal

PHILADELPHIA—The Army and Navy Union will present its medal of honor with four stars to Gen. John J. Pershing on his 84th birthday Sept. 13.

The medal of honor is the union's highest award and has been received by only eight persons. General Pershing will be the first to receive it with four stars.

Earns Four Commendations

FORT HANCOCK, N. J.—Cpl. Edward E. Canavan, of Brooklyn, newly arrived here from the South Pacific, earned four commendations while in the Air Corps, as a result of his participation in a crippling blow against a Jap airdrome in the New Georgia area.

May Delay Election Count

GI's Hold Election Vote Aces

NEW YORK—Because 11 states will not count their soldier votes on election day, Nov. 7, it is possible that the outcome of the 1944 presidential election will remain in doubt for several weeks after the polls close.

Should the election be unusually close, the winner might not be known until as late as Dec. 7, when the canvass of Nebraska's absentee

vote could determine whether the state's seven electoral votes would be cast for President Roosevelt or Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York. These possibilities grow out of an Associated Press survey which indicates that more than 2,000,000 men and women in the armed forces have applied for absentee ballots and that, by the most conservative estimates of state election officials, approximately twice that number will vote in November.

The soldier vote is likely to be decisive in most of the 11 states which do not immediately tabulate, and the 11—including Pennsylvania with 36, California with 22 and Missouri with 15—have a combined electoral vote of 116. President Wil-

son's electoral margin over Charles E. Hughes in 1916 was only 23.

Says New York Law Success

ALBANY, N. Y.—Governor Dewey declared that New York's war ballot law was a success and said that those who sought to scuttle the system had failed.

The Republican Presidential nominee issued a statement after William T. Simpson, chairman of the State War Ballot Commission, made public a report stating that 400,000 applications had been received and estimated that applications would eventually total more than 550,000 service men, or 75 per cent of the eligible voters from New York in the armed forces.



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CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—From life to death and back to life again is the sensation when an artillery shell bursts and buries you under a half-ton of uprooted earth and debris... then along comes another shell and the force of the explosion unburies you.

Pvt. John A. Kirkwood, Muskegon, Mich., soldier now assigned to the Army Service Forces Training Cen-

ter, Camp Claiborne, felt that way when it happened to him during the invasion of Sicily.

"You hear the roar of the shell landing near you," he said. "Then everything seems to go black, the dirt falls on you heavily with the force of a big wave... and you think you're going to smother. It's only seconds, but seems much longer, when that second shell comes along and you're tossed aside and into daylight again."

And yet many soldiers have had the same experience in combat, he added. "One buddy of mine," he added, "went through it seven times."

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Grass-Skirted Kanakas Dance For Infantrymen In New Britain

WITH U. S. ARMED FORCES ON NEW BRITAIN ISLAND—The average GI now sweating it out on this Pacific island may not, once he is back home, be able to walk more than twice past a Minsky burlesque without going in. But the chances are—thanks to the local Kanakas—when he does go in it will be with less of an eye for anatomy and more of an eye for interpretive dance.

The Kanakas are the Mayflower set in this heat-ridden corner of the globe—not the handsome, guitar-strumming folk the pre-war tourist guide would have you believe—but none the less colorful for all their blackness. And they like to dance, and show off, particularly if their audience is in khaki. Hence the infantryman is getting entertainment of a type he can write home about, and more of an understanding how the Ballet Russe and the Music Hall Rockettes got the way they are.

He is learning, also, that the Kanakas' dances are not such trite get-togethers as Saturday night jives or hep-fests arranged on the spur of the moment around a juke box; that they are symbolic festivals carefully planned in advance and held only on special occasions.

Swell Movies

There was such an occasion for men of this division some few weeks ago, something of a command performance to break the monotony of months-old movies. It was welcome diversion for the men in this particular unit; it gave them a peek inside a native village (normally off limits), and provided them a world of raw material for their cameras—there being more amateur fotogs out here than you can find at a World's Fair.

This festival (or "sing-sing," as it is known in pidgin English) started at 10 one Sunday morning and lasted the entire day, and the GIs stood it out three-deep in a dusty amphitheater—something you could never expect from them back home. The soldiery found it pretty much of a three-ring circus, there being dance groups operating helter-skelter throughout the arena and never a dull moment in the proceedings.

The Kanaka producing this show must have had his finger on the American pulse; he started things off with a "bird dance" by the native women, or "Mary's" as they are known in more intimate afflu. The "chorus" was a family affair, from grandmothers on down to girls not yet in their 'teens, broken down

into age groups and dressed alike in gaudy grass skirts, cloth anklets, necklaces of bone and shell. And nothing else—though their basic attractions were somewhat relegated by adroit makeup which included close-cropped hair, plastered down with oil or mud, and set off with vivid orange, blue and green dyes for the occasion.

Uncanny Rhythm

The dance they put on for the boys was a swaying, shuffling sort of thing, done to the weird accompaniment of a set of native drums, and highlighted by much up-side-daisying of skirts and an uncanny rhythm which had most of the GIs knowingly nodding their heads and wondering what the girls could do if they had a real band to work with.

While the chorus was still in motion, in trooped a group of tribesmen, decked out in dyed grass and palm leaf switches which covered their entire bodies, and huge, grotesque head-dresses of shell and cockatoo feathers. The paint jobs on their faces were equally as startling as the women's hair-do's; their dance a strenuous, jumpy af-

fair which would have worn out the average man in 10 minutes' time. These "Joe's" danced 45 minutes flat, without a stop. "They'll kill themselves," said one GI.

A warrior act was next on the program. The boys came stomping in, brandishing wicked looking spears, shaking dried gourds and "wa-wah-wahing" their heads off. Their dance was a frenzied sort of routine which had them skewering imaginary enemies all over the lot. A scholarly looking soldier informed an awed group around him that this particular dance represented some far-removed chapter in Kanaka history when little tribal misunderstandings were not infrequent, and when "long pig," or human flesh (if you wish), was not out of order on any bill of fare. And he could have been dead right.

The Big Act

The Mary's shuffled on, the cockatoo-boys kept up their whirling dervish act, the warriors menaced cast and spectator alike with their spears. And then came the Big Act: there was a wild upheaval of voices at the entrance to the arena and on came a "head-man" dressed out to represent a tree, his body completely hidden by green grasses and leaves, his face hidden somewhere behind a hideous painted mask. He was followed into the arena by what remained of the native population who weren't on the regular program, and his entrance was signal for much hullabaloo and jumping around on the part of the dancers. The head-man could see nothing from beneath his outlandish shroud, so a native cop, rigged out in GI shorts and a cap which might have been owned by some Gay Nineties street-car conductor, led the old boy around the circle in a grand march. You could have sworn you were watching a Barnum and Bailey finale.

Naked Own

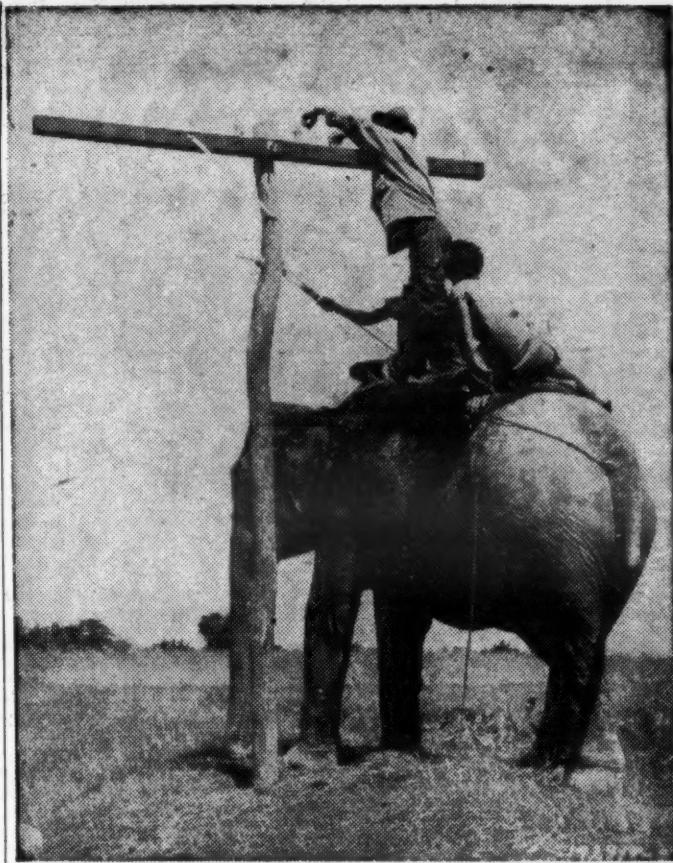
It was a good show, and the Infantry ate it up. But just to emphasize that the simple little things in life are still appreciated by the average soldier, and that his sense of humor remains unshaken even by war, it must be recorded that none of the participants in this pageant drew the real applause. That was reserved for a non-combatant—a tot of about three and a half feet in height, and not more than that in age, who came in on his naked own.

He was obviously hunting for his mother, who was probably dancing, and he was carrying a yard or more of "lap-lap" or dyed cloth, with which he was trying manfully to cover his modesty. He would get it intricately wrapped, tucked in and tied, but with his first few steps down it would drop to his ankles. Finally, after this had occurred an annoying number of times—the GI's howling their glee—the lad had an idea: he wound the lap-lap round him once again; then, arching his back, he puffed out his stomach in an enormous bulge which took up the slack and held it tight. Then, off he walked, looking for all the world like some miniature chocolate Falstaff, but in complete possession of his dignity.

It was a comedy act which rounded out an already Grade A chunk of entertainment, a swell punch-line. The dancers moved off to dance another day; the thick dust settled heavily behind them; the khaki crowds huzzaed their appreciation and broke ranks. A noisy GI, who had clapped more than most, turned to a buddy as they moved away: "Brother!" he exclaimed. "When the war's over I'm coming back and put this show on the road!"

Makes New Mark of 85 Yards Hurling Grenade

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—"Letting himself out," Pfc. Robert J. Beach of the 21st Armd. Inf. Bn's Co. B hurled a standard practice grenade a distance of 85 yards during inter-company sports competition. The grenade traveled a total distance of 105 yards, but it sailed through the air for exactly 85 yards—believed to be a new training throw record—before it hit the ground.



—Signal Corps Photo

ELEPHANTS are being extensively used in the swamplands of Assam, India, for signal construction work. A member of an outfit repairs a line from the back of a mammal.

Mechanics Learn to Build And Also Destroy Weapons

FORT SILL, Okla.—When field artillery mechanics, whose job is the care and maintenance of materiel, finish the Enlisted Artillery Mechanics Course at the Field Artillery School they know how to fix weapons so neither they nor anybody else can use them.

Perhaps this seems strange to you but classes in destruction are part of the course. The reason is that although an artillery mechanic's job is to keep his unit's weapons in repair and perfect shape under all conditions, he must also know how to destroy the weapon efficiently and completely should there arise the situation when materiel is about to fall into enemy hands.

Field Artillery mechanics also learn about the laying and removal of mines, the rigging and unarming of booby traps, loading of materiel for railway and air transport. They must also know how to test and adjust delicate fire control instruments.

Classes in practical work so the students actually maintain and care for the weapons they are to work with are an important part of the course. Examinations where possible are also of a practical nature. The course under the Department of Materiel is conducted by a staff of six officers and 65 enlisted instructors. New classes are started once a month.

Winter Campaign In Italy Called Mostly for Guts

WASHINGTON—Platoon leader and later company executive officer for fighting doughboys in the 36th Infantry Division, 1st Lt. Sidney F. Anderson, 23, of Jamestown, N. Y., saw his men "going on guts most of the time" against prepared Germans in the wintry Italian hills.

Describing the 36th's battles in an interview on his return, he said: "We were fighting most of the time last Winter in the rain and cold. Blankets were wet, the men attacked most of the time, and they had to bail about 30 bucketfuls of water out of their foxholes at night. Soldiers with trench feet or other ailments wouldn't turn in to the medics until they just couldn't go on fighting—the old Infantry spirit."

In the Salerno landings last September, Lieutenant Anderson said, not a man thought of letting up, but just went ahead against defensive fire that the Germans had practiced for weeks at the very same beaches.

Mistaken Order Blamed

WASHINGTON—Returning from three years of war in the Orient, Brig. Gen. Frank D. Merrill, chief of the "Marauders," told a news conference that misinterpretation of an order for reinforcements at Myitkyina had resulted in sending some convalescents to the front. He described the whole episode as a "storm in a tea pot" that blew over in about 10 days.

American Troops Get Average Of 82 Nips Weekly

WITH THE AMERICAL DIVISION SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—Fourteen hundred and twenty-nine additional Japanese have been killed by fighting men of the Americal Division—veterans of both Guadalcanal and Bougainville—since the Japs' suicidal attack last March on bloody Hill 260 at Bougainville.

Grand total of enemy killed by the division since Christmas Day is 2,492, or an average of 82 Nips a week for a period of 30 weeks.

Bearing the brunt of the Americal doughboys' steady offensive tactics was the once-proud Sixth Imperial Japanese Division, infamous for the rape of Nanking.

Commanded by Maj. Gen. Robert B. McClure, of Palo Alto, Calif., the Americal is unique in that it is the only overseas division bearing a name instead of a number. "Americal" is a contraction of America and New Caledonia.

Camp Forrest Exhibit

CAMP FORREST, Tenn.—Largest crowd-magnet at the annual mid-State fair at Columbia, Tenn., this week was the exhibit from Camp Forrest. This included walkie-talkie radios, demonstration of laying a smoke screen, rocket and machine-gun night firing, a first aid station complete with equipment and personnel, all types of gas masks, and even a bazooka.



"Here comes one of them clerks from Corps. Start pickin' your teeth with a bayonet!"

What's Wrong With This Picture?



Courtesy, The Checkerboard, Camp Maxey, Tex.

HERE'S a doughboy busy at the important job of digging, a task which all GI's overseas know requires the utmost care because lives depend on proper construction of foxholes. This soldier is making many mistakes. How many of these blunders can you find before checking the answers on this page?

Overseas Yule Parcel Deadline Is October 15

WASHINGTON—Yuletide gifts for combat forces overseas should be mailed between Sept. 15 and Oct. 15—the earlier the better—announces the Post Office Department.

Last year, because of late mailings, improper addressing and insecurely tied parcels, three million of the 25 million pieces mailed never reached the addressees. This year, 40 million packages are expected to be sent out through the New York port of embarkation alone, and there will be a proportionate loss unless the warning as to early mailings and care in packaging and addressing is heeded.

Here are a few of the timely hints by the Post Office Department:

Mailing Deadline—All Christmas packages for overseas—to both Army and Navy personnel—must be mailed between Sept. 15 and Oct. 15. Mail packages as close to Sept. 15 as possible.

Size of packages—No Christmas

package can be more than 15 inches in length and cannot measure more than 36 inches in length and girth combined.

Weight of packages—The weight of any overseas package cannot be more than five pounds. This includes the wrapping. Packages should be done up in strong packing boxes.

Labeling of packages—All addresses should include the full name of soldier or sailor, his rank and serial number, service organization and unit, Army or Fleet Post Office number, and the Port of Embarkation Post Office through which package is routed. Addresses should, to be on the safe side, be printed on the paper of the package itself.

Packages should be marked "Christmas Parcel."

CINCINNATI—"The postwar period has begun for the disabled veterans," will be the theme of the 23rd national convention of the Disabled American Veterans when delegates from more than 900 DAV chapters throughout the nation gather in Denver, Sept. 12-15.

Vivian D. Corby, national DAV adjutant, said outstanding experts on veterans affairs and prominent government officials will address the streamlined convention.

Among those scheduled to speak are James L. Monahan, DAV national commander; Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, head of the U. S. Veterans Administration; Gov. John C. Vivian of Colorado; O. D. Hollenbeck, director, veterans employment service, War Manpower Commission, and Col. Paul H. Griffith, chief, veterans' personnel division, Selective Service System.

Barbering at Front Exciting

WITH THE U. S. FORCES IN FRANCE—Pfc. Arthur W. Falor reports that barbering in France offers more excitement than his "Treat-U-Rite" shop in Seattle.

Private Falor landed on the beach in Normandy nine days after D-Day and, despite a downpour of rain, immediately started on the job.

"The rain bothered us a lot, but I hung a raincoat over my head and it was business as usual," he said.

One recent afternoon he was cutting away on a sergeant's hair when the anti-aircraft guns opened up on

German planes. "We both dived for a rock shed across the road and got inside just in time to miss the strafing and the falling shrapnel," the barber related.

A steel helmet holds his only supply of water and he doesn't "cater" to hot water—it's on the icy side, and thus far there have been no complaints.

Manicures, singes and haircuts are out for the duration, he informs his customers. The charge is 10 francs (20 cents) but tips are accepted without reservations.

Discharged Veterans Help Dodgers in Win

CAMP KILMER, N. J. — Playing with two discharged veterans in the starting line-up the Dodgers defeated Camp Kilmer, 9 to 2, Monday.

Frank Wurm, a veteran of the African campaign who joined the Dodgers after being discharged recently, pitched the first six innings, giving two hits and one run. The other ex-serviceman was Tommy Warren, right-handed pitcher who saw action at Casablanca and played left field.

Heel-and-Toe Man After Hike Mark

SANTA ANA, Calif.—The 25-mile-hike record now held by George Waterhouse, of Greenfield Field, Miss., will be challenged next month by a heel-and-toe champion.

S/Sgt. Jack D. Powell, AAF physical training instructor and holder of two world's walking records, is now in training. He plans to go after the hike record in October. He believes he can shave at least 20 minutes from Waterhouse's time of 3 hours and 57 minutes.

Powell is some shucks as a walker. He heel-and-toed the quarter-mile in the world-beating time of one minute, 17.6 seconds at the Southern Pacific AAU championships, Los Angeles, on April 22, this year, and June 9 he smashed the world's half-mile mark in two minutes, 56.2 seconds at the Annual Games, Pasadena, Calif.

Three times he has entered 10-mile contests, and once, a 12-and-one-half mile jaunt at the 1942 National AAU Championships. In this last distance he came in third, registering a time of one hour, 56 minutes.

Army Ground Forces News

HEADQUARTERS, Army Ground Forces—Promotion of Maj. Gen. James G. Christiansen, Chief of Staff, Army Ground Forces, from the rank of brigadier general was confirmed by the Senate this past week. He has been Chief of Staff since February, 1943, and just prior to that was Deputy Chief of Staff.

General Christiansen, a native of Portland, Ore., was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers in 1918. In 1919, he went to Europe on an observation tour of battlefields in France, Belgium and Germany. Later he was assigned to an engineers unit at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., and in 1921 became assistant professor of military science and tactics at the Oregon Agricultural College.

His tours of duty have taken General Christiansen to Juneau, Alaska, for duty in the engineer district there; to Fort DuPont, Dela., to the United States Military Academy, where he served as an instructor, and to Hawaii.

General Christiansen entered the Command General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., in August, 1936. He was graduated from the Army War College in 1940. He has been assigned to Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, since AGF was organized in March, 1942.

Information helpful in the writing of division histories will be exchanged between officers in units which are preparing histories and the historical section at AGF headquarters, according to a directive

issued by Lieutenant General Lear this week. Divisions are not required to have histories prepared, but division commanders may provide for the writing of such works.

Concentration of Ground Force troops in as few buildings as possible consistent with health and training requirements has been directed by General Lear as one phase of a program designed to conserve fuel. Elimination of excessive temperatures, proper ventilation, a curb on excessive use of hot water and proper instruction for enlisted men who serve as furnace firemen is directed.

HEADQUARTERS, Armored Center—Col. Edwin H. J. Carns, a member of Army Ground Forces G-3 section for two years, has been named trains commander of the 20th Armored Division, it was announced by the office of Maj. Gen. Roderick R. Allen, commanding. Only recently returned from the Southwest Pacific where he was an Army Ground Forces observer, Colonel Carns was assistant G-3 at AGF headquarters, where he was concerned with the over-all training program of armored, cavalry and tank destroyer units throughout the country.

The assignment of Col. Walter E. Buchly as commanding officer of Division Trains, 16th Armored Division, was announced recently by Maj. Gen. Douglass T. Greene, division commander. Colonel Buchly succeeds Col. Charles Calais, who recently left the division for a new undisclosed post.

The death of Col. William V. Gray, former commanding officer of the reserve command, 16th Armored Division, was announced August 9. He succumbed August 8 at O'Reilly General Hospital, after a three-months' illness. Colonel Gray was a veteran of the last war having seen five months' combat duty with infantry units in France.

Men of the 8th Armored Division's 53rd Armored Engineer Battalion are bucking for the last place in maintenance inspections as a result of a new system installed by Lt. Col. Edward T. Podaly, battalion commander. First place, which no maintenance officer would have on a silver platter, is awarded to the company judged expert in "worst echelon maintenance," and with the award goes a poster to be hung in a prominent place in the company motor shed.

FIELD ARTILLERY REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER, Fort Bragg, N. C.—The close relationship between the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center's training program and action on the world's battlefronts is emphasized by figures made available this week by the S-1 section, showing that a total of 586 enlisted men, now on duty in the FA RTC as cadre or as potential cadre, have served overseas.

Representing all theaters of operations, including outlying bases located beyond combat zone limits, overseas veterans have been assigned to every organization within the command. Among the men back

from "over there" are nine soldiers who have won the Silver Star on European battlefields. These men and the organizations with which they were serving at the time they won their decorations, follow: S/Sgt. Samuel J. Meko, 45th Infantry Division; T/4 Al G. James, 36th Infantry Division; Cpl. Donald P. Clark, 1st Infantry Division; Cpl. Howard K. Gehring, 1st Armored Division; Pfc. Ernest J. Fournier, 3rd Infantry Division; Pfc. Frank L. Zimmerman, 1st Infantry Division; Pvt. Philip E. Page, 1st Armored Division; Pvt. Creties D. Jenkins, a field artillery brigade; and Pvt. Robert W. Baumbach, a field artillery battalion.

Eighteen FA RTC men were sworn in this week as citizens of the United States in the Superior Court of Cumberland County, Fayetteville, N. C. These new soldier-citizens were drawn from eight different nations: Austria, British West Indies, Canada, England, Germany, Italy, Poland and Romania.

HEADQUARTERS, Field Artillery School—Five officers of the Colombian army have been enrolled at the Field Artillery School and are now students in the officers' advanced course at Fort Sill, Okla. The officers are 1st Lts. Fernando Teller Zorrilla, Carlos Rodriguez Conti, Camilo Garcia Urrea, Mario Añez Ariza and Humberto Torres Mayorga.

HEADQUARTERS, The Cavalry School—Lt. Col. Leslie M. Grener, who arrived recently from Jefferson Barracks, Mo., has been assigned as secretary of the Cavalry School. He succeeds Lt. Col. William B. Mershon, Jr., who returned to inactive status after approximately four years on the school's staff and faculty. Colonel Mershon, who saw overseas service in the last war as a noncommissioned officer and commissioned officer in the 10th Engineers, had been secretary of the Cavalry School since August 1, 1942. Colonel Mershon was active in the reserve and the Michigan National Guard before he was called to active duty in 1940.

The 30th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mech) from Camp Pickett, Va., and the 34th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mech) from Camp Campbell, Ky., have joined the 29th Cavalry Group as school troops at the Cavalry School.

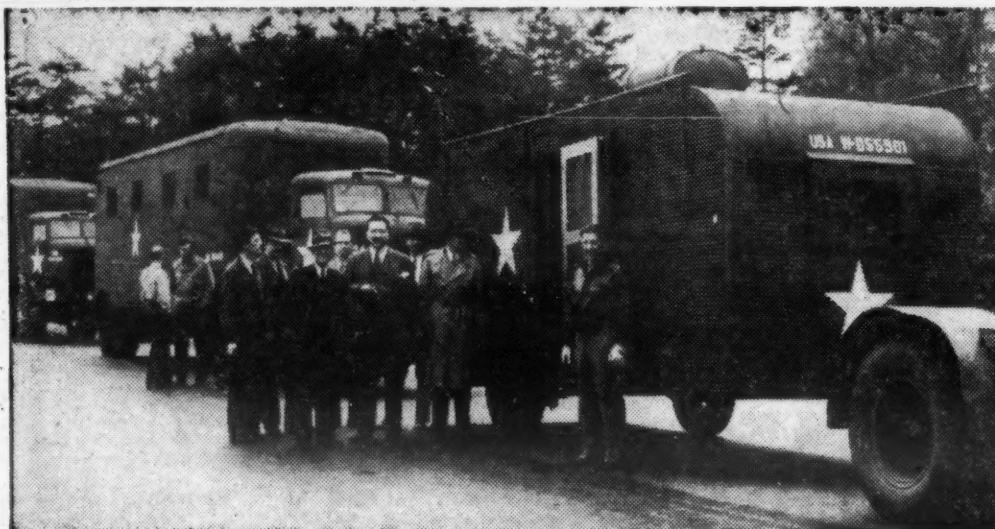
HEADQUARTERS, Antiaircraft Artillery School—Brig. Gen. Clarence H. Schabacker, OSC, assistant chief of staff, G-3, Antiaircraft Command, visited the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., last week in connection with training matters.

HEADQUARTERS, Antiaircraft Artillery School—Brig. Gen. J. C. Drain, USA; Brig. Gen. J. P. Baldwin, USA; Col. J. W. McDonald, CAV, and Col. A. G. Franklin, CAC, members of the Manpower Survey Board of the War Department, visited the Antiaircraft Artillery School last week to discuss the survey undertaken by the board to determine the utilization of manpower at service schools.



—Signal Corps Photo

UNAWARE that French bridge had been bombed, driver kept right on going, with the result that his 2½-ton truck was wrecked during night operations.



FIELD headquarters for the Allied army of liberation in France is this three-unit trailer caravan, used by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. Photo was taken in Ireland before the trailers were turned over to the Supreme Allied Commander in the European Theater of Operations. Grouped beside the lead trailer are Lockheed men who designed and built the caravan, which was taken to France in mid-August.

On 'Hit-and-Run' Policy

Nazis-Japs Use Same Tactics

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—German and Japanese soldiers are using almost identical tactics in their efforts to stave off defeat, according to the personal, unofficial opinion of 2nd Lt. Richard K. Hayashi of the Japanese-American 442nd "Go For Broke" combat team which was attached to the 34th "Red Bull" Infantry Division of the Fifth Army in Italy.

As an enlisted man with an American air force in New Hebrides, Lieutenant Hayashi participated in the New Georgia and Bougainville campaigns, thereby gaining first-hand knowledge of the Jap fighter and his methods.

In special competition against all selected personnel, he won the right to attend Officer Candidate School. After his graduation from the Fort Benning, Ga., OCS, he was assigned to the Japanese-American Combat Team then in training at Camp Shelby, Miss.

Now, on the Fifth Army front in northern Italy, he is leading fellow Japanese-Americans against the German foe.

Both on Defensive

"Chasing Jerry over here is almost like chasing the Japs over there in the South Pacific," he observed, "for both seem to employ about the same tactics and weapons. Both are definitely on the defensive now and use 'hit and run' tactics. They both leave a lot of snipers behind with orders to fight until death."

After trying to flush enemy snipers out of the forests, underbrush, orchards, and farms of northern Italy, where the mountainous terrain resembles that of New Georgia, Lieutenant Hayashi has concluded that both Axis partners are masters of camouflage.

"But," he added, "both get disorganized and confused when their leaders walk out on them, which is often."

He paid high tribute to the fighting qualities of the 442nd "Go For Broke" volunteers in their first battle with the veteran German S. S. troops. Experience with Jap treach-

ery, such as Japs firing after waving a white flag, enabled Lieutenant Hayashi to save his men from German trickery in Italy.

The retreating Germans in Italy use the "reverse hill" idea, just like the Japs in the Southwest Pacific, building up fortifications on the downward or reverse side of slopes and firing on advancing troops as they are silhouetted against the sky-line, Lieutenant Hayashi said.

A hasty comparison of weapons used by the Axis powers, in the opinion of Lieutenant Hayashi, again shows striking similarity. The German machine pistol has its Japanese counterpart. The Jap's knee mortar is comparable to captured Nazi rifle

mortars. Soldiers of the 34th Infantry Division have discovered that German light field pieces are just as harassing as Allied infantrymen have found Japan's to be.

"Just as the Japs are now using 16-year-old boys in the front lines and forcing subjugated peoples like the Koreans to do much of their fighting for them, so the Germans are using teen-age kids and conquered peoples in their fighting," Lieutenant Hayashi said. He made it clear, however, that he had met crack German troops.

Lieutenant Hayashi is a former resident of Stockton, Calif. After the attack on Pearl Harbor, he volunteered to serve his country in the best way he could.

Lt. Gen. Delos Emmons Now Heads Alaskan Department

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN DEPARTMENT—Lt. Gen. Delos Carleton Emmons, former commander of the Hawaiian Department and the Western Defense Command, is now commanding the Alaskan Department. It was announced recently.

An Air Corps veteran and one of the early advocates of the heavy bomber, General Emmons is no newcomer to Alaska. He served in the territory for two years prior to the last war as an infantry lieutenant and also was on hand as an observer in the Aleutians last year at the conclusion of the Aleutian campaign.

Graduated from the U. S. Military Academy in 1909, General Emmons was stationed at Tana from 1913 to 1914 with the 30th Infantry and has traveled widely in Alaska, by dog team as well as other means. In 1916, he transferred from the

Infantry to the Signal Corps' Aviation Section, forerunner of the present Air Corps.

He commanded a flying school during part of the last war and also served as executive officer of the Air Division of the Signal Corps.

Promoted to major general in 1939 and to lieutenant general in 1940, he was appointed to command the Hawaiian Department on Dec. 17, 1941, just 10 days after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He became commanding general of the Western Defense Command in September, 1943, and assumed command of the Alaskan Department on June 21.

Since the beginning of the war, General Emmons has visited the South Pacific, England, North Africa, South America, Alaska and the Aleutians. He was in Tunisia at the time of the Sicilian invasion.

Brig. Gen. Robert M. Bathurst, who came here as General Emmons' chief of staff, served under him in Hawaii and with the Western Defense Command.

Army Thinks War Will End Oct. 1, Asserts Woodrum

WASHINGTON—That the Army's "tentative date" for finishing its job against Germany is October 1 was the statement of Rep. Clifton Woodrum, of Virginia, chairman of the House Post-War Military Policy Committee, last Saturday. Mr. Woodrum did not amplify his statement, nor did he say what the source of his information had been.

Rear Adm. James H. Irish, inventory control officer of the Navy, indicated to Mr. Woodrum's Committee that the Navy expected to be fighting in the Pacific at least through 1945.

Asked by a reporter whether he could indicate when the European war would end, President Roosevelt replied with a "My, no." As to the war's end with Japan, the executive stated that was "pure speculation."

Confusing!

AN AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND BASE IN GREAT BRITAIN—There is probably an explanation for this one. But it doesn't occur very readily.

Lt. C. H. Taylor, San Angelo, Texas, of the USAAC Air Transport Command wrote several letters to a buddy of his, Raul Papich, Austin, Texas, who is in Normandy. But got no reply. So, for a gag, he wrote himself a letter and sent it to Papich with a note saying, "If you're so darned busy, here's a letter all written for you. All you have to do is sign it."

Taylor got his letter back duly signed all right, but Papich's unit censor had cut several sentences out of it.

CHICAGO—From tests which 12 volunteer "human guinea pigs" spent eight hours a day in a temperature of 20 degrees below zero, the University of Illinois is learning about some of the effects of diet upon human resistance to cold and upon human activities under cold conditions.

This knowledge is of special value to high-flying military aviators. It applies also to Army and Navy activities in the Arctic, and to winter outdoor workers in the northern United States, Canada and Alaska.

The purpose of experiments just reported was to determine the effect upon cold-resistance of modifying the proportions of the three food elements—protein, carbohydrate, and fat—in the diet. Also included was the effect of meals at shorter intervals.

New Vaccine To Protect Army Against Influenza

WASHINGTON—Plans for the procurement and possible use of a vaccine to combat the spread of influenza in the Army, should the disease occur in epidemic form, were announced by the War Department.

These plans are based upon evidence presented by the Commission on Influenza under the Army Epidemiological Board. Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, the Surgeon General, emphasized the necessity for having available for military use every possible means for protection of troops against influenza.

The vaccine will not be administered routinely, but will be given only on definite indication of the threat of influenza and only to personnel under risk of exposure to the disease. A statement of policy and a summary of the evidence for the prophylactic value of influenza vaccine has just been issued to all medical officers in a technical bulletin from the Office of the Surgeon General.

Development of protection against influenza has been one of the main projects of the Board for the Investigation and Control of Influenza and Other Epidemic Diseases in the Army ever since its establishment in 1941. This Board, now called the Army Epidemiological Board, under the presidency of Dr. Francis G. Blake, Dean of the Yale University School of Medicine, has conducted investigations through its special commissions and has advised the Surgeon General, through the Preventive Medicine Service, on matters concerning the health of the Army.

Under this Board the Commission on Influenza, of which Dr. Thomas

Francis, Jr., Professor of Epidemiology at the University of Michigan School of Public Health, is Director, was asked in 1943 to carry out a controlled clinical trial of the prophylactic efficacy against epidemic influenza of a concentrated vaccine containing the killed influenza viruses, Types A and B. In cooperation with a number of civilian and military agencies an extensive investigation was carried out, particularly during the winter of 1943 when there was a moderate epidemic of influenza due to the Type A virus.

On the whole, the results showed that there was a reduction of about 75 per cent in the incidence of influenza among the vaccinated as compared with the unvaccinated controls and that loss of manpower hours was reduced because the illness in vaccinated persons was milder and shorter.

Order of Purple Heart Asks Vets' Preferences

LANCASTER, Pa.—Resolutions at the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, held here recently, asked that more effective preferences be made for veterans suffering from service-connected disabilities and for their wives and widows as to all government jobs for which they are qualified.

Another resolution recommended the provision for employment by the Federal Government of such handicapped veterans as may be otherwise qualified who may be considered as risk to the civil service retirement fund, by exempting them from the provisions of any Civil Service Retirement act.

Harold H. Hamilton, of Lancaster, Pa., was elected National Commander of the Order, and Ray Dorris, Portland, Ore., National Sr. Vice Commander.

Announce Winners in Legion Diamond Play

INDIANAPOLIS—Regional winners in the American Legion 1944 National Junior Baseball tournament were announced by national headquarters of The American Legion as follows:

Portland, Ore., Tucson, Ariz., Aberdeen, S. D., Omaha, Neb., Minneapolis, Cincinnati, New Orleans, Thomaston, Ga., Albemarle, S. C., Baltimore and Brockton, Mass.



"I think they can manage very well without a locomotive, Smithson."



—Signal Corps Photo

OPPORTUNITY to apply for a ballot for the November election is being given everyone in the services, from the highest ranking officer to the newest buck private. Here, Maj. Gen. Frederick E. Uhl, Commanding General, Fourth Service Command, receives a card, such as military personnel use in requesting voting ballot, from Lt. Col. William L. Woodruff, soldier voting officer. Interested in the procedure are Sgt. Anne Talley, who is applying for her first ballot, and Pvt. Jim Jernigan.

24th Did Heroic Work In Jungles Of Pacific

CAMP BRECKINRIDGE, Ky.—After 27 months of working and fighting in steaming Pacific jungles, 14 battle-hardened members of the famed 24th Infantry Regiment recently returned to the United States under the Army rotation plan and have been assigned to the 372nd Infantry Regiment here.

The 24th Regiment was activated Nov. 1, 1866, and participated in campaigns against the Indians in Texas and Montana. When President Theodore Roosevelt led U. S. troops in Cuba during the Spanish-American War, the 24th was on hand to take part in the Battle of San Juan Hill, then was sent to the Philippines. During World War I they were on the Mexican border and were later sent to Ft. Benning, Ga., where they served as a demonstration team for the Infantry School until the start of the present war.

Built Bomber Strip

In April, 1942, while American forces were still reeling from Pearl Harbor and the Philippines, the 24th was the first U. S. Army unit to land in the New Hebrides Islands, where they prepared fortifications and airfields in expectation of a possible Jap landing attempt. The Negro regiment accomplished the amazing feat of completing a heavy bomber strip in 18 days entirely by hand labor, with the exception of two bulldozers borrowed from a Navy Construction Battalion. It was from this strip that B-17 bombers took off to begin the softening up process on Guadalcanal. Here also a communications section of the 24th

laid telephone wire across 60 miles of mountains, with each man carrying an 80-pound drum of wire, in addition to his rifle, a blanket, and enough food for a week. Three weeks were required to do the job.

After 15 months of working as engineers and stevedores unloading ships in the New Hebrides, the regiment moved on to Guadalcanal while mopping up isolated pockets of enemy resistance was still in progress. Later one battalion was sent to Munda to aid in wiping out the last Jap resistance there.

It was on Bougainville Island that the 24th got its first taste of real action when it moved into front line positions shortly after American Marines had established a beachhead.

Wac's Wag Promoted Rapidly; She May Have To Salute K-9

GREENVILLE FIELD, Miss.—There's a good reason why Pvt. Evelyn Loar, of Section D, hangs her head whenever rank is mentioned. Her German shepherd dog, in the Army a little over a year, is a master sergeant.

Evelyn enlisted her dog in the WACs when he was 10 months old, and a year later she joined the WACs. The dog had a great name to live up to, Gen. MacArthur "Mac" for short, and he has brought it additional honor.

"Mac," who is now known only by the serial number of Colorado 91, received a 10-week basic training course at Fort Robinson, Neb., and was then shipped overseas under sealed orders, with as much secrecy as any troop movement. Colorado 91 distinguished himself early in his army career when he became a member of the famous Caterpillar Club. The Wags are outfitted with special parachutes which saved his life when he and his master made a forced jump.

The soldier who trains the dog is with him constantly. He recognizes no other master. During the Sicilian campaign, "Mac" saved his master's life by attacking an enemy soldier.

On another occasion he saved the lives of an officer and an enlisted man who were locked in a refrigerated car by barking until he attracted the attention of nearby soldiers.

Private Loar is well informed on

Now Anti-Aircraft Domain

Fort Bliss Enters New Epoch

FORT BLISS, Tex.—The revamping of military installations in line with the changed character of modern warfare was underscored heavily with the announcement by the War Department that this fort, once a famous Cavalry station, would become the site of the Anti-Aircraft Artillery School and the Anti-Aircraft Artillery Board as of October 1.

GI Told Must Write to Mom

AN AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND BASE IN GREAT BRITAIN—Coleman Coveyou, of St. Ignace, Mich., at this Air Transport Command base, had better write home. He's just become the subject of some correspondence between the War Department and his commanding officer. Seems his mother wrote the War Department that her son wasn't writing home as often as he should. A letter signed "by order of the Secretary of War" with the AG's signature addressed to Coveyou's CO lets it be known that he "is expected to write sufficiently often to preclude his personal correspondence becoming the subject of official communications." That's one way.

BOOKS

Men Like Gods

By Robert Sturgis. (M. S. Mill Co., Inc., New York. \$2.50.)

In July 1906 Bill Branning dropped from a freight train in Cholusa, Oklahoma's booming oil town, in a flour sack all his material possession, a ten-spot his worldly wealth. By 1929 he headed the vast Branning Oil Company, the Producers' Bank, was thought to be the richest man in Oklahoma. Branning's success was based on three things: a supreme confidence in his own two fists, the sure knowledge of when to push his luck, and the practical application of what little education he accumulated.

In his love for oil and burning desire for more money, Branning lost sight of the simple pleasure of living. Though he loved his wife, he neglected her. A sordid affair with his secretary and the Crash of '29 bring the tycoon to his senses and back into the arms of his ever-loving wife.

"Men Like Gods" is a colorful story of the fabulous growth of American oil fortunes and power.

his well-being and occasionally receives a picture of the dog. His exact whereabouts is a military secret, however.

"His exploits prove I was right in letting him join the Army, but if he keeps on being such an eager beaver, I'll have to salute him pretty soon!"

First Class of WACs Observes Anniversary

WASHINGTON—It was two years ago Tuesday that the first 436 women were graduated as third officers of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (now the Women's Army Corps) after six weeks of training at Fort Des Moines, Ia.

These first graduates today are scattered all over the world. They can be found in China, India, Egypt, North Africa, Italy, England, France, Australia, New Guinea, Hawaii and New Caledonia. They are on Army jobs in virtually every major command in this country and overseas. They are on the staffs of generals and in command of WAC companies and WAC battalions. They rank from second lieutenants to lieutenant colonels, but some have gone back to civilian clothes and have families now.

SAIPAN, captured by the Yanks, has been for 24 years under Japanese rule.

Already the largest installation of the Anti-Aircraft Command of the Army Ground Forces, Fort Bliss will become, with the addition of the School and Board, the center of anti-aircraft tactical doctrine and development.

Heretofore, from the beginning of the present war period, anti-aircraft weapons and installations shared the limelight with the historic border Cavalry which was stationed here for many years. Now, with the movement of School and Board from their present location at Camp Davis, N. C., combined with the departure of the First Cavalry Division last year for overseas duty, Fort Bliss becomes the undisputed domain of the anti-aircraft specialists.

Currently operating at Fort Bliss are an anti-aircraft unit training center and an anti-aircraft replacement training center, charged with

the mission of training and equipping units and individuals for combat service in overseas theaters. These installations will continue in operation at Fort Bliss.

In operation for more than two years, the Anti-Aircraft Artillery School, which recently graduated the last class from its officer candidate school, numbers in the thousands students who have completed its courses of instruction. At Fort Bliss the instruction division of the school will continue courses for anti-aircraft officers and enlisted technicians.

The Anti-Aircraft Artillery Board assisting in the research of new and improved anti-aircraft weapons and equipment, requires large areas for the rigorous field tests and firings of newly designed equipment and material. Needed space is available at Fort Bliss, with miles of semi-desert nearby.

Sergeant, Master of Words, Authors Teasers for GI Fans

HEADQUARTERS, PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT—If it's about soldiering in Panama, S/Sgt. Peter Riley, of Oelwein, Ia., has a word for it.

By nature taciturn Sergeant Riley is paradoxically a man of many words. He finds them indispensable as author of one of the few GI crossword puzzles in the world.

Army slang, tropical double talk, Latin expressions and jargon peculiar to the Panama theater of operations have swelled Riley's vocabulary since he began his tour of duty in Panama in June, 1943, as enlisted aide to the commanding general of the Coast Artillery Command.

The results come out once a week as a back page feature in "The Jungle Mudder," weekly enlisted men's newspaper of the Panama Coast Artillery. Riley's word quiz has made a hit because it is at once topical and tropical. "Tropical," for example, would be his eight letter word meaning slap-happy.

A word whiz who attacks a Riley crossword problem armed with Webster's mammoth International Dictionary enters battle inadequately equipped. To grapple with the Coast Artilleryman's brain teasers, a puzzle fan must be a good soldier, a student of Pan-American relations, a well informed tourist and at least a dabbler in local history.

He must be on speaking terms with his field manual, must know Coast Artillery and Panama Canal Department commanding officers past and present, must be familiar with the history of the Panama Canal and the heroes of its construction, must probe into the culture and back-

ground of the Republic of Panama, and must know exactly when and where the latest super-fortress raid chewed a piece out of Japan.

Here are some samples of Riley's out-of-the-barracks-bag lexicography:

An eight letter word for night club entertainer—"Blue Moon."

A seven letter word for cold drink—"cerveza."

A four letter word for a place of rest—"sack."

A five letter word for department commander—"Brett."

A five letter word for awaiting—"sweat."

Shoots Blind; Kills 18 Japs

SAIPAN, the Marianas—One of the most unusual individual feats of arms in the capture of Saipan was that of Pvt. George Ruckman, 21, of Granttown, W. Va., who killed eighteen Japanese single-handed in a brief fifty-yard walk. Private Ruckman saw only two of his victims before he had shot them. He killed the others with a borrowed weapon that he fired blindly into the bushes merely as a precautionary measure, not knowing how many Japanese were actually present.

"I was scared all the time," he told Sgt. Frederick Baxter, Twenty-seventh Army Division combat correspondent, "but not half as scared as I would have been if I had known what I was really up against."



—Signal Corps Photo

"INVASION," a fawn adopted as official mascot by Headquarters Battery, 542nd FA Bn., at Fort Sill, feeds on the best. Here, it's being treated to a bowl of milk by 1st Sgt. Herman Hulse, of Tulsa, Okla., and T-4 Edgar Davis, of Somervell, Tex.

Tribute Given by General

Medical GI's Are Unsung Heroes

CINCINNATI—Teamwork by officers, nurses and enlisted men of the medical service is to be credited with the record of 97 per cent recoveries among American wounded in the European theater of operations.

This was the statement of Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, chief medical officer of the Army, broadcast from Europe to the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, the General's alma mater, which awarded him a Doctor of Laws degree at its 125th commencement.

In his radio message, General Hawley said that among those serving the larger share he would put those brave and devoted medical soldiers who accompany their infantry comrades into action, who

Time Marches On With Junk Clock Made by Private

OGDEN, Utah—Clocks are among the leading items on priority lists these days, so Pvt. Marciso Ghisellini, Italian Service Unit man at the Utah ASF Depot, decided to relieve the shortage by designing and constructing one of his own, in his spare time.

It took 27 days for Ghisellini to produce the finished product. The wheels are made entirely of wood which he cut from scraps of lumber. The weight consists of old shaving tubes melted together and poured into a talcum powder cardboard can. The face is made from a piece of cardboard cut into a square with the hours and minutes drawn in pencil. The hands are made from two small scraps of tin. The chain consists of old nails which were bent double and hooked together.

Most important of all, the clock keeps excellent time. It is the official timepiece for the civilian and Italian Service Unit mechanics in the Ordnance vehicle area of the depot.

Hurls Back Nazi Attacks and Wins DSC for Heroism

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—The Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action has been awarded a St. Louis newspaperman who rallied his platoon to throw back six German counter-attacks in 48 hours before Cassino, former key stronghold of the Gustav line in Italy.

He is 1st Lt. Sylvester J. Hunter, who before entering the Army was with the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Lieutenant Hunter is with the 34th "Red Bull" Division.

Food Prepared With 'Eye Appeal' Proves Preventer of Waste

HOLABIRD SIGNAL DEPOT, Baltimore—As explained by Capt. L. M. Lehmer, mess officer and his mess sergeants, one of the principal reasons responsible for the depot's leading the Third Service Command area in food conservation is—believe it or not—"eye appeal"!

By making food appear attractive to the GI, Holabird has reduced the "edible food waste per man per day" to a low mark of .0200 pounds. This compares with an average of 0.0797 pounds for the Third Service Command as a whole and it means that out of the five pounds of food allotted daily for each soldier or prisoner of war at Holabird Signal Depot, there was hardly more than three-tenths of an ounce of edible food waste.

Carefully cooked food and attractively served food—there in a nutshell—is one of the reasons for Holabird's record among Third Service Command installations, and one which Holabird also held during May of this year.

BAINBRIDGE FIELD, Ga.—Capt. Nobel V. Sack, Roscoe, Minn., has been named Protestant chaplain at the Bainbridge Army Air Field. He arrived for duty here after serving as cadet chaplain at Maxwell Field,

share with them all the dangers of wound recoveries. Colonel Cutler combat. He called them "the unsung heroes of the war."

Praises Excellent Surgery

WASHINGTON—Col. Elliott C. Cutler, chief consultant in surgery in the ETO, while on a recent visit credited the good condition of servicemen for the splendid record in

said:

"It is almost a miracle to some of us who served in the last war to see the relative absence of serious contamination of wounds in this war. This is due in part to the use of sulfa drugs and penicillin, but is largely due to the excellent physical condition of our men and to excellent surgery promptly performed.

"One of the differences in this war and the last is that the surgeon has been pushed far forward. We are taking the surgeon to the soldier as against bringing the soldier to the surgeon. This forward work is done largely in mobile field hospitals to which we attach expert surgical teams. A man can reach one of these teams in two to three hours after he has been hurt. Excellent first aid care is given previously by the enlisted men of the Medical Department."

Old Fort Brown To Be Abandoned

BROWNSVILLE, Tex.—Historic, 97-year-old Fort Brown, for which this border city was named, will be abandoned Sept. 25 as a surplus military installation, the Army has announced.

Organized by Gen. Zachary Taylor, who later became President, the Fort was named in 1847 for Maj. Jacob Brown, killed in action there.



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COMRADES in arms, American and British paratroopers rest beside a farmhouse on D-Day in Southern France.

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Commands Fort Richardson

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN DEPARTMENT—Brig. Gen. John N. Robinson, a veteran of nearly three years of service in Alaska, has been named post commander at Fort Richardson, succeeding Brig. Gen. S. D. Downs, Jr., it was announced recently at Alaskan Department headquarters.

Scribes Awarded Air Medals

WASHINGTON—Two American war correspondents, Theodore H. White, of Time and Life Magazines, and Thoburn Hughes Want, of The Associated Press, have been awarded Air Medals for services in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operations, the War Department announced.

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Carpentry and Millwork	Mining	Silk Throwing
Chemical Engineering	Millwrighting	Steam Engineering
Civil Service	Mold-Loft Work	Stenographic Secretarial
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Chicago Bears Beat All-Stars Despite Dobbs

CHICAGO—The pigskin pitching of the Second Air Forces' Glenn Dobbs wasn't quite enough and the Chicago Bears eked out a 24 to 21 win over the College All-Stars.

Dobbs almost single-handed carried the All-Stars to two touchdowns in the first period. He quick kicked the All-Stars out of a hole with an 85-yard record boot and flipped a 5-yard pass for the first score.

A few seconds later, Dobbs, trapped in a passing play, zig-zagged 30 yards through the Bear team to cross the goal-line. He fumbled there but the ball was recovered by a teammate.

The All-Stars couldn't match the Bear power in the third and fourth quarters. The Bears came from behind to tie the score 21-all and then won on a fourth quarter field goal.

Despite a wind-driven rain in the final period the fans peered out from under drenched newspapers as Dobbs staged a final quarter passing attack which missed.

Sioux Falls Has A Champ; Does 65 1 Hand Push-Ups

SIOUX FALLS FIELD, S. D.—Other posts may have the national sit-up champion, the king of the chinning experts or the ace shuttle-run artists, but Sioux Falls Army Air Field has finally come through with a record-breaker of its own. He's no swimming flash, no pole-vault master, but he's tops in his own field.

He's the man who did 65 one-handed push-ups in a little over a minute's time, Pvt. Ben Arfin, of Brooklyn, a student in the AAF Training Command Radio School here.

Arfin had a vast background which preceded his amazing feat. He fooled around quite a bit with tumbling and gymnastics in civilian life, and today holds three Red Cross life-saving certificates for his swimming prowess.



—Signal Corps Photo

BEAU JACK. Pvt. Sidney Walker, is a real idol with Fort Benning, Ga., soldiers, who feel he is the "uncrowned" lightweight champion of the world. On his return from New York, where he decisioned Bob Montgomery, Beau Jack was tendered an old-fashioned jamboree. He is shown being congratulated by Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson, post commander. In the center is Lt. Herbert Gruber, who arranged the party.

2AAF Has Many Stars In Superbomber Squad

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.—A Superbomber squad of 29 players, which promises to be as dynamic on the football field as the B-29 is over the Japanese homeland, is announced by Maj. William (Red) Reese, coach of the Second Army Air Force football team.

Representing some 40 air bases in 14 states, the Superbombers are a star-spangled, All-American and virtually all-college squad with every section of the land included on the roster. The midwest leads with eight of its products in uniform,

followed by the far west with seven, the east five, south five and southwest four. Twenty-seven of the 29 have had college experience.

The Superbombers will play a 13-game schedule, beginning Sept. 2, in cities adjacent to Second Air Force bases. Opening game will be at Sioux City against the Peru (Neb.) Naval V-12 Station.

Among the stars will be Lt. Glenn Dobbs, Tulsa U. All-American, and Lt. Nick Susoeff, Washington State. They teamed up once before as a passing combination for the College All-Stars against the Washington Redskins in 1943 when Dobbs fired nine completed forward passes in 13 attempts. Dobbs' record also includes 21 completions out of 29 throws for Tulsa in the 1942 Sun Bowl game at El Paso, Tex., and eight straight completions in the 1943 Sugar Bowl game at New Orleans.

Biggest of the Superbombers is one of the youngest—20-year-old Pfc. Bob Hendren, 6 foot 8 inch 230-pound end from Clarinda, Ia., who attended Culver-Stockton College for one semester before entering the Army. He and the 19-year-old Cpl. Lanewski are considered excellent college prospects.

Majority of the squad is expected to see college competition again when the war ends, a total of 17 players having one to four years of varsity ball remaining.

Sets New Shelby Record For Hike

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Establishing what is believed to be a new Camp Shelby record for the 25 mile hike, Lt. Amos M. Kidder, III, Hq. Co. 670th TD Bn., traversed the distance in four hours and 56 minutes.

Lt. Kidder wore the standard tank destroyer field uniform, including a 10-pound pack, steel helmet, carbine, GI shoes and leggings.

At the half way mark, an old head injury, aggravated by the combined effects of road shock and the jar-ring of his steel helmet, caused a state of dizziness, which cleared a bit following an improvised shower administered by S/Sgt. Bert Crary, who was on hand throughout the trip.

THE NAVY has announced that peace in Europe will not curb its production plans.

Henry Armstrong, Ken Overlin Features Harbor Defenses Show

FORT WINFIELD SCOTT, Calif.—Henry Armstrong, former holder of three world's titles; Ken Overlin, ex-middleweight king, and Steve Crusher Casey, world's heavyweight wrestling champion, headlined an all-star exhibition boxing and wrestling show held Thursday, August 17, for soldiers in the Harbor Defenses of San Francisco.

The show was sponsored by the special service offices and the Golden Gate Guardian, camp newspaper.

Hammerin' Henney, who was in San Francisco to battle Willie Joyce, refereed the bout between Jack Chase, ex-California State welterweight champ, and Lt. Joe Garrett, Merchant Marine ace.

Overlin, recently discharged from the Navy after service in the Pacific, refereed the bout between Pvt. Al Coutre, Fort Scott champ, and Vic

Boxers of Fort Bliss Carry Off Four Titles

FORT BLISS, Tex.—Displaying a well balanced team, the highly aggressive Fort Bliss boxers journeyed to Abilene, Tex., recently and proved their class when they carried off four individual titles as well as the championship team trophy, emblematic of the state amateur honors.

Bagging state individual crowns were Ragon Kinney, erstwhile National Golden Gloves champ from Hartman, Ark., in the unlimited class; Southpaw Ray Stroud, featherweight from Texarkana; Bobby Maesta, bantamweight from Los Angeles, and Cpl. Harry Demery, of Des Moines, Ia., who proved the class of the competing welterweights.

KEESLER FIELD, Miss.—Keesler Field's pigskin parade began to unfold yesterday when Capt. George B. Huffman, former Texas Tech assistant grid mentor and head basketball and track coach, took his AAF Training Command charges through their first workout of the season.

Keesler's schedule, which will include approximately nine games, has not been announced, but home and away series have been scheduled with Selma Field, La., and the strong Fort Benning, Ga., football teams.

Captain Huffman will be aided in his coaching duties by Capt. Herman F. Rohrig, the team's backfield star and former All-American selection at Nebraska, and Sgts. William Brown of Alabama and Rannie Throgmorton of Vanderbilt.

Browns Have Edge With 23 Home Games

WASHINGTON—The World Series will begin in St. Louis on Wednesday, Oct. 4, and despite the efforts of the Yanks, Red Sox and Tigers the series will probably end in St. Louis.

An all-St. Louis series would be played October 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11, with the Cardinals and Browns taking turns being hosts.

A Cardinal-Tiger series would be

played October 4, 5 and 6 in St. Louis and October 8, 9, 10 and 12 in Detroit.

Either a Yankee or Red Sox-Cards series would be played October 4, 5, 6 in St. Louis and October 9, 10, 11 and 13 in either New York or Boston.

Browns Came Back

With the Browns staggering badly at the head of the home stretch it looked like it would be a four-team rush to the wire, but the St. Louis club got back in stride and the contenders continued to knock each other over.

For a short time it looked like the Yankees would give Marse Joe McCarthy a new lease on the title of miracle manager, but then the Yanks met the Red Sox.

Despite the loss of Tex Hughson the Red Sox were giving Bean Town fans hopes for the first pennant since the start of the Yawkey gold-plated era, but then the Red Sox met the Yankees.

Neither team came out of a four-game series with any advantage but it was slight comfort as the Browns picked up two full games while they were hammering at each other.

One-Man Team

The Tigers, sparked by one-man team Dizzy Trout, are still threatening but the midsummer slump of the Detroit nine is starting to tell as all of those games lost then must be picked up.

Trot won his 22nd ball game by whitewashing Chicago. The season's leading hurler also batted in five of his club's runs with a single, double and homer. Dizzy has a tough job ahead of him if the Tigers are to win a pennant, as Hal Newhouse, with 21 wins, is his only reliable assistant on the mound staff.

The All-American Open had a field of 122 pros and seven amateurs battling for the \$42,500 in prizes. Here are the leading prize winners and their share in the pot-o-gold in war bonds:

Score	W. Bonds
Byron Nelson, Toledo, O. 280	\$13,462.50
Ed Dudley, Colo. Springs 285	5,000.00
Pvt. B. White, Greenwood 286	3,662.50
Harbert, Battle Creek 287	2,477.00
Bud Williamson, Lincoln 287	2,477.00
Sgt. E. J. (Dutch) Harrison, of Wright Field, Ohio, Melvin (Chick) Harbert, of Battle Creek, Mich., and Bud Williamson, of Lincoln, Neb., Sgt. Vic Ghezzi, of Camp Grant, Ill., had a 288.	2,477.00
Harold McSpaden, Phila. 288	1,496.87
Henry Picard, Harrisburg 290	1,162.50
R. Hutchinson, Bethlehem 290	915.62

28 Teams to Play In Western Title Softball Tourney

OGDEN, Utah—Selection of 28 softball teams to participate in district play-offs, the secondary phase of the Ninth Service Command Area tournament to determine the eight Western states' military championship, was made at the Fort Douglas, Utah, headquarters of Maj. Gen. David McCoach, Jr., commanding general.

Secondary play for district top honors were scheduled for Aug. 31 to Sept. 3, at Pocatello, Ida.; Torney General Hospital, Palm Springs, Calif.; Vancouver, Wash., and Camp Stoneman, Calif.

Winning squads from each of the four NSC Security Districts—Northern, Southern, Eastern and Central—will vie for the Ninth Service Command softball crown Sept. 14, 15, 16 and 17 at the ACF-ASF Redistribution Station in Santa Barbara, Calif. Eight teams, two from each district, will participate in final competition.

The finalists will represent installations under the jurisdiction of the Army Service Forces, Army Ground Forces and Army Air Forces.

District winner in the respective Army Service Forces and combined Army Ground and Air Forces circuits will be pitted against one another in final competition at Santa Barbara.

The championship squad will receive a beautiful ASF Ninth Service Command trophy. District winners also will receive trophies.

Pirates on Top
The red-hot fight between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati for second money has cooled off with the Pirates on top. Frankie Frisch's gang has been playing chips-down ball during August.

The Baltimore Orioles played like the Orioles of old when the chips were down in their series with the Newark Bears.

The Bears came to town boasting a last place to first place record. The Orioles teed off on the Bear pitchers, gave their own hurling staff great support and the Orioles took over the lead with three straight wins.

Baltimore ball fans claim, with reason, the fightingest, ball-playing club in the country this season. The more rabid supporters are willing to back their team in a series with World Series champs.

Redskins Nearly Lose Scalps To March Fielders

LOS ANGELES—Washington Redskins came mighty near being scalped by the March Field Air Forces team in the Army recreational facilities benefit game in the Memorial Coliseum. Slingin' Sammy Baugh, the sensational Texan, and his mates had to go their very limit to win by 7 to 3, and the crowd was kept on edge right to the final whistle.

All receipts went to the recreational fund with exception of \$12,500 guaranteed paid to the Redskins management.

Bon Jour's Triumph Is Only Upset In Major Handicap Races

WASHINGTON—Most of the long-shots were strictly stay-at-homes over the week-end as favorites scored with comparative ease in most of the feature races.

The form players were able to add a few greenbacks to depleted bankrolls but the prices paid on the winners didn't provide an opportunity for cleaning up.

The pay-off reached a new low when the smallest daily double, \$3.40 for \$2, was marked up at the harness racing meet at Roosevelt Raceway. Singapore won the first heat, paying \$2.20, and Drew Abbey the second, paying \$3.

Devil Diver Wins

Relieved of the heavy load he carried the week before, Devil Diver had little trouble beating the poor-field in Wilson Stakes' history at Belmont.

Ted Atkinson put Devil Diver to a drive in the stretch and easily drew away from Bull Reigh, who finished second four lengths back. Wait a Bit was third. The winner paid \$2.50 win.

Price Level, 1-to-2 favorite, led all the way to win the Jeanne d'Arc Stakes by a length at Narragansett.

It was the fourth straight win for the filly and boosted her winnings to \$28,667 in six starts. Jack's Hill was second and Belfast third.

Swiv stumbled coming out of the gate, but recovered to win by four lengths over Johnny Jr. in a stretch drive in the co-featured John E. Martin Handicap. Swiv paid \$5 win. **By Jimminy Scores**

George Woolf gave By Jimminy a clever ride and the brown colt scored by six lengths in the American Derby at Washington Park.

Woolf took By Jimminy out in front and kept him there, running smoothly, until the stretch. Then he found enough zip left in his mount to gallop home while the others were staggering.

By Jimminy set a new race record, 2:03, for the mile and a quarter and returned \$4.40 win. Old Kentucky was second, Nelson Dustan third and Pensive, who apparently lost his run in the Kentucky Derby, a badly beaten fourth.

Bon Jour on Top

Bon Jour, a former claiming race plater, gave such well-known campaigners as Alex Barth, Paperboy, Four Freedoms and Rounders a beating in scoring an upset in the Trenton Handicap at Garden State.

Carrying a feather, 101 pounds, and the leading jockey, Ken Scawthorn, Bon Jour made a great run entering the stretch to beat the favored Alex Barth by a half-length. The winner paid \$12.10 to win.

Army Quiz

1. One group of Japanese-held islands recently bombed by U. S. planes, and suggested as a spot for new landings, contains islands whose names mean "Father," "Mother," and "Elder Sister." Would you say it was—

- A. The Marianas?
- B. The Carolines?
- C. The Bonins?

2. Noting that 472,054 tons of bombs had been dropped by U. S. planes from January 1 to June 30, 1944, the War Production Board recently announces the bomb tonnage which will be required for the remainder of 1944. Would you say it was—

- A. A Billion Tons?
- B. 100,000 Tons?
- C. 450,000 Tons?

3. The Russian army, which invaded East Prussia last week, was carrying the war to German soil. Can you tell when East Prussia was last invaded?

4. The plans for the American invasion of Normandy were worked out—

- A. At Supreme Headquarters in England?
- B. At Army Air Headquarters in Washington?
- C. By the Air Forces Board at Orlando, Fla?

5. In announcing a cutback in the production of Liberator bombers, Commando transports and Thunderbolt fighters recently, the War Department gave two main reasons for its cutback order. Select the two right ones.

- A. These three planes are obsolete.
- B. Losses of transports lighter than were anticipated.
- C. Insufficient fliers to man the lighter planes.

D. Emphasis on the production of B-29 and B-52 Superfortresses.

6. Chamorros—American natives—were released from Japanese rule by the recapture of a Pacific Island. Do the Chamorro live on—

- A. The Marshalls?
- B. New Guinea?
- C. Guam?

7. With at least five million American soldiers overseas, can you tell the location of the American Fourth Army and its commander?

8. A piece of war work, especially interesting to Americans, done in the C-B-I theater within the past year, has been spoken of as "the greatest man-labor job since the building of the pyramids." Was it—

- A. The building of the Ledo road?
- B. Flying supplies for the Chinese over the "Hump" of the Himalayas?
- C. Building the landing fields for American B-29s and B-52s?

9. Three-fifths of the AEF of the last war landed at one of these French ports which have been under assault by American troops in the last fortnight: St. Malo, St. Nazaire, Brest, Lorient, Nantes, Toulon. Do you know which?

10. The training given American soldiers for the present war averages in time how much more than that given for World War I?

- A. Twice as much?
- B. Three times as much?
- C. Five times as much?

(See "Quiz Answers," page 19.)

Fort Warren Has 10-Game Schedule Opening Sept. 10

FORT WARREN, Wyo.—Taking their cue from the basketball team which last season finished fourth in the National AAU competition, Fort Warren's Broncos this season determined to cut themselves out a slice of notoriety and signed up some of the nation's leading grid teams for tilts this fall.

A tough schedule of 10 games has been booked, as follows:

Sept. 10—Brooklyn Tigers at Fort Warren.

Sept. 23—University of Colorado at Boulder.

Sept. 30—Lincoln Air Base at Lincoln.

Oct. 7—Colorado College at Colorado Springs.

Oct. 15—Southern Idaho at Fort Warren.

Oct. 22—Iowa Seahawks at Iowa City.

Oct. 29—Lincoln Air Base at Fort Warren.

Nov. 11—Second Air Force at Colorado Springs.

Nov. 19—Pocatello Marine Base at Fort Warren.

Nov. 24—Great Lakes at Chicago.

Three Swim Wins For Ohio Stater

GREAT LAKES, Ill.—By winning the 800-meter free-style in the closing competition of the National A. A. U. outdoor swimming championships Sunday night, Keo Nakama, of Ohio State, made it his third title. He had won the 1,500-meter and the 400-meter.

Nakama thus duplicated the 1942 triple triumph of his Ohio State teammate, Bill Smith.

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Win for Spence Field

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—Two home runs by Pitcher George Marcinko featured Spence Field's 7-6 win over Bainbridge Field in the Shaughnessy series of the Georgia Service League. A double winner over the Blockbusters, Spence now meets either Napier Field or Marianna in the final playoff series.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.	G.B.
St. Louis	91	30	.752	
Pittsburgh	71	48	.597	19
Cincinnati	67	51	.568	22½
New York	57	68	.459	36
Chicago	62	65	.444	37
Philadelphia	48	71	.403	42
Boston	49	74	.498	48
Brooklyn	47	77	.379	45½

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.	G.B.
St. Louis	71	54	.568	
Detroit	66	57	.537	4
Boston	68	59	.535	
New York	66	58	.533	4½
Philadelphia	62	67	.481	11½
Cleveland	60	67	.472	12
Chicago	57	67	.460	13½
Washington	52	73	.416	19½

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	PC.
Baltimore	77	58	.570
Newark	76	62	.551
Buffalo	74	65	.532
Toronto	70	68	.507
Jersey City	66	72	.478
Montreal	64	72	.471
Rochester	62	76	.449
Syracuse	60	76	.441

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	W	L	PC.
Milwaukee	89	43	.674
Toledo	83	51	.619
Louisville	80	51	.611
Columbus	75	61	.551
St. Paul	68	80	.374
Indianapolis	49	82	.374
Minneapolis	47	85	.356
Kansas City	36	94	.277

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W	L	PC.
Los Angeles	84	60	.583
Portland	73	70	.510
Hollywood	73	71	.507
San Francisco	72	71	.503
Seattle	74	74	.490
Oakland	70	74	.486
Sacramento	68	76	.472
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Up Front With Mauldin



"I think he should at least try to lie at attention."

Pilot Is Learning to Teach Lessons Gained in Bombings

EAGLE PASS FIELD, Tex.—After more than a year of shooting at Japs in some of the bitterest campaigns in the Southwest Pacific—Guadalcanal, Munda, Bougainville and New Britain—Capt. John C. Wasson, 24, of Dayton, Tenn., is now at this advanced single engine pilot school learning the theory of the aerial warfare he practiced on 135 combat missions.

Possessor of the Air Medal with six clusters, two bronze stars and the Purple Heart, Captain Wasson is taking a "refresher" course at this unit of the AAF Central Flying Training Command so that he can become an instructor and pass on his battlewise experience to fledgling pilots about to take up the fight.

Captain Wasson, who was wounded by a Jap bomb on Guadalcanal, saw Jap air power dwindle from a su-

periority of six planes to one American in that historic campaign to the point of non-existence over vast areas of the Southwest Pacific in only a little more than a year. A vivid memory is the day he looked down and saw American Marines slaughtering Japs in hand-to-hand combat at one end of a Munda air strip while at the other end of the strip American Seabees were calmly operating bulldozers to repair bomb damage.

Despite the amazingly high ratio of victories over losses maintained by American airmen, Captain Wasson does not under-rate either Nipponese planes or pilots.

"While Jap fighter planes are very vulnerable, they are also extremely maneuverable and Jap pilots are well-trained and courageous," he said. "The new Tojo pursuit plane of the Japs is one of the hottest jobs in the air today."

HONOR

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until two Jap pillboxes had been knocked out of existence.

Sergeant Vosler, radio operator-air gunner in the Army Air Forces, not only continued to operate the Fortress' tail gun while wounded in the legs and almost blinded by shell splinters over Bremen, but when enemy planes had been driven off repaired the plane's radio by touch and sent out a distress signal. Finally, when the plane had made a crash landing at sea, he saved the life of the wounded tail gunner by holding him on the wing until other crew members could help them into the dinghy. A rescue launch picked them up.

Fellow crew members reported that in the early fighting, Sergeant Vosler had asked to be thrown out of his crippled Fortress to lighten the plane. Vosler lost an eye as a result of his injuries.

Private Johnston, 45th Infantry Division machine gunner, held off two German counterattacks near Padiglione, Italy, on the Anzio beachhead, and continued to man his gun when his comrades thought him mortally wounded. Left for dead, Johnston was captured by the enemy who treated his wounds. When American forces routed the Germans from the area the next day, Johnston was able to regain the American lines and give a detailed report on German positions. But he arrived there barefooted since the Germans had carried away his combat boots while he slept. Buddies say he caused at least 20 Nazi casualties.

Praghustspondgifen Okay

(Continued from Page 1) during their occupancy of France, American importers have been assured there are substantial stocks of newer brandies, champagne and table wines and told there would be a heavy flow to the United States in the very near future.

Edward L. Hayes, of San Francisco, thought that a change in his name would bring him good luck. So he went to court and asked that his moniker be changed to Tharn-

midsbe Lurgy Praghustspondgifeen. That didn't work so far as luck is concerned, so back to court he went, asking that it be changed again, this time to Miswaldpornguestflesse Balstendrigneshofwintplasjor Wra-doidistplondqueskycrufemglisti. The judge said "No."

"O, Genevieve, Sweet Genevieve" is the favorite song with French patriots and Allied soldiers in Marseille. It's because Miss Genevieve, 23, beautiful and daughter of wealthy

parents, is the "pistol packing mamma" who, traveling by automobile, has been picking off Nazi snipers on upper floors of buildings.

While British officers are generally "highfalutin" in their official war pronouncements, there was nothing but straight-shooting in the statement of a high officer at British field headquarters who declared: "What there is left of the Germans in northwest France is hanging like meat on a butcher's hook, waiting to be cut down."

In appreciation for Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia's friendship toward Yugoslavia's National Army of Liberation and his message of esteem Marshal Tito is sending to New York's executive the sword which the Marshal has carried through three years of warfare in Yugoslavia's hills and mountains.

Pity the poor, slandered piggy! In his newspaper, Herman Goering told the German people that "it must be considered bad taste to publicly eat a ham sandwich whose origin is generally suspicious even if nothing illegal can be proved." Also in bad taste, asserts Goering, is the eating of fresh fruit and the smoking of cigars and cigarettes in public.

Oddest duel in the police annals of Philadelphia was recorded when two men were found battling for dear life—one armed with a knife and the other with a mandolin in his right hand and a guitar in his left hand. The arresting officer described the action as "a sort of ding-dong battle."

NATION

(Continued from Page 1) of 1940—assuming the same hours of labor as in 1940."

Briefly summed-up, Mr. Bowles' economic program called for—Government policies to maintain price levels.

Tax laws to encourage investment of risk capital.

Encourage freedom in competition. Government credit facilities for small firms.

Basic farm prices and development of family-size farms.

Broaden Social Security benefits. Vigorous program of housing and slum clearance.

Major works program in cooperation with states and municipalities.

Encourage exports to maximum extent.

Abolish wartime controls.

All continue to work closely together.

By Sgt. R. Schuller, Camp Pinedale, Calif., Unit of 4th AAF





—Signal Corps Photo

VETERANS of World War I will recall this scene when General John J. Pershing led the victory parade past the Arc de Triomphe on Bastille Day, July 14, 1919. Behind General Pershing is 1st Lt. William J. Cunningham bearing the general's standard of four white stars on a red background. Next in the parade is Maj. Gen. James G. Harbord, Chief of Staff, AEF, and behind him, on the gray horse, can be seen General George C. Marshall, present Chief of Staff, who was then Colonel Marshall, aide to General Pershing. General Pershing is riding "Kedron," a horse he purchased while in France.

Hun's Life Made Miserable

French Farmers Outstrip Nazis

A NINTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER BASE, EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS—The German's stay in Normandy was anything but pleasant—for the Hun as well as the French. The prosperous farmers of this section saw to that. Armed resistance was impossible. Subtle methods to outsmart and outstrip the Germans were adopted. These vignettes, gleaned from conversations with reliable Frenchmen who saw a good deal of the Germans, tell some of the ways in which they did it.

Although trips to Paris were curtailed during the occupation period, some of the French were able to visit the Capital several times. One described it thus:

"Paris is gay on the surface, but gloomy underneath. The French have not lost their inherent love for beauty, and consequently the shop windows are gay. However, there is nothing to buy."

The gloomy shop windows of Berlin didn't compare favorably with those of Paris, and the Germans were envious. They issued a decree that shop windows must have simple decorations. One shopkeeper painted his windows completely white, leaving room only for this banner, "France is the land everyone envies, but which envies no one." The Germans got the point—soon the order was rescinded.

Do Manual Labor

As they worked they would drink, urging their German guard to drink with them. He usually accepted. Consequently, by noon the entire group—German guard included—would be so gloriously "lit" that work was out of the question. When the German superior would inspect the site in the afternoon a warm camaraderie would pervade the area. Although this would make the Germans furious, there was nothing they could do about it. By these methods, a large number of French workers managed to spend three months digging dugouts.

One of the most unsuccessful examples of German propaganda was a poster they plastered on the walls of the French villages. The heading stated: "Look, Frenchmen, at what the English have stolen from you." Following this was cited every minute territory and piece of land, going back to the Middle Ages. Most was flagrantly incorrect historically. In one village a French peasant read

this blast, then wrote in chalk below the poster: "Yes, but I know who stole my bicycle."

The Germans in Normandy were extremely snobbish, and a Frenchman's treatment was in direct proportion to his social standing.

Papers Censored

Several small regional newspapers were published under the occupation. All copy, excepting local news items, had to be taken to a nearby village for scrutiny. Often the Germans would be angry if an article were not belligerent enough toward the English. If the editor changed it, the people of the neighborhood would take him to task. His was not a happy lot.

The Germans were never able to stop the French from listening to the B. B. C., although they tried. Two months before the invasion, they issued an edict that all radios must be turned in. Few Frenchmen complied. Many would turn in a broken radio, hiding their good one. However, the bombing of a power plant by the Allies deprived the area of electricity, so they could no longer get the news. The first news of the invasion came when hundreds of planes roared overhead the night of D-Day.

The Gendarmes were forced to work with the Germans, but they were on the side of the French people and helped indirectly. In flooding 36,000 acres of fertile grazing land as a defense measure against the Americans, the Germans have done untold damage.

The Germans made no attempt to speak French. This caused the most resentment, especially among the peasants.

The farmers learned only two words of German—"kaput," meaning gone, broken, destroyed, and "nicht," which they used to mean no. With these two words, they would converse with the Germans for hours. Much was done by sign language and

inflection. A French peasant would often call to German soldiers: "The English will get you. Little fish in the channel eat you up. Glug, glug, glug, glug." The Germans were deathly afraid of the channel, and the taunt would make them furious.

Bible, Carried In Two Wars, Mascot For Father And Son

CAMP SHANKS, N. Y.—A hand-worn, stained Bible is the symbol of life and safety to a soldier father and his soldier son, recently joyously reunited at Camp Shanks, an installation of the New York Port of Embarkation, where they are now serving their country together.

Separated two years ago when their Infantry regiment shipped overseas, M/Sgt. Galan Swank, veteran "Top Kick" of the Argonne in World War I, and S/Sgt. Marcell Swank, Ranger veteran of Dieppe and the invasions of North Africa, Sicily and

Medics' Prompt Work Saves Legs for Yank

THOMASVILLE, Ga.—Treatment by an army physician on the Anzio beachhead less than 15 minutes after he had been severely wounded by German shellfire "miraculously" saved the legs of S/Sgt Earl M. Maddox, of Sheffield, Alabama.

Sergeant Maddox, now recovering at Finney General Hospital, Army medical installation here, was loading supplies when a German "88" shell exploded near him.

Both his legs were almost completely shattered, his right leg alone being broken in more than 20 places. Had he not been picked up and treated almost immediately, it would have been necessary to amputate both legs.

Chosen As Wac Of Week

CAMP UPTON, N. Y.—Pvt. Esther M. Shedd, a member of a family which has participated in every war in this country since the Revolution, was selected as Camp Upton's 13th Wac of the Week, Col. David E. Cain, the post commander, announced.

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Election Interest Hot In South Pacific

WITH THE AMERICAN INFANTRY DIVISION SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—Japs or no Japs, jungles or no jungles, American doughboys, combat veterans of Guadalcanal and Bougainville, will have full opportunity to vote in the forthcoming Presidential election.

Voting machinery has been set up in strict accordance with War Department regulations and the policies of the various states by the division's Judge Advocate General, Lt. Col. Wallace W. Orr, of Wilmette, Ill.

Colonel Orr has designated officers in each regiment and each company as voting officers.

"The first step," Colonel Orr pointed out to these officers, "is to make sure that each man knows exactly what his rights are, what provision his state has made for his voting, and to make available forms for absentee ballots."

Hold Instruction Meetings

Voting information is displayed on bivouac area bulletin boards. Instructional meetings are being held. Charts setting forth the qualifications necessary for voting in each state have been distributed.

Voting officers certify the soldiers' sworn statements on voting residence and right to vote. These requests are turned over to the Army postal service, which, as provided by law, supplies free air mail privileges.

Rosters are prepared from company records, listing each soldier's name and voting residence. These, together with the state voting regulation charts, give every man full information of his privileges.

"To accomplish secret voting and to facilitate ready dispatch of the marked ballot back to the voting district," said Colonel Orr, "the ballots sent to the war theater are handled separately throughout by the postal service.

"The postal officer delivers them directly to the voting officer, who in turn delivers each ballot to the proper applicant. After the ballot has been secretly marked, the vot-

ing officer certifies its authenticity. He then returns the ballot to the postal officer, who sends it on to its destination in time to be validated and counted."

No political campaigning is permitted. The only campaign in which the American Infantryman is taking part is the war against the Japanese. The interest in the election is lively among the combat doughboys, and Colonel Orr anticipates heavy voting among the soldiers, who, fighting thousands of miles from home, nevertheless have a keen desire to exercise their rights as citizens.

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I had to be a lousy tree,
A tree that stands out in the street,
With little doggies at my feet.
I'm nothing else but this, alas,
A comfort station in the grass.

I lift my leafy arms to pray
Go 'way, little doggie—go 'way!
A nest of robins I must wear
And what they do gets in my hair.
Of all the things I had to be
I had to be a lousy tree!

Voice in an air raid shelter:
Hey, you, take your hand off my
knee. No, not you, YOU!

Half the time the necessity of
life isn't fit to drink!

This is the story
Of Sammy McQuire
Who ran through town
With his trousers afire.

He went to the doctor
And fainted with fright
When the medic told him
His end was in sight.

A husband who is handy about
the house is much better than the
one who comes in unexpected!

A modern girl is a vision at night
—and a sight in the morning.

She's been in more laps than a
napkin!

He took her gently in his arms
And pressed her to his chest
The lovely color left her face
And lodged upon his vest!

A line I'll gladly sweat out
Is when I'm finally let out.

Curious fly,
Vinegar jug,
Slippery edge;
Pickled bug.

You can always tell a private—
By his look of great alarm;
You can always tell a sergeant—
By the stripes on his arm;
You can always tell a major—
By his manner, dress and such;
You can tell a second loony—
But you cannot tell him much.

It is much better to have loved and
lost—much better.

I never kiss, I never neck.
I never say hell, I never say heck.
I'm always good, I'm always nice.
I play no poker, I shake no dice.

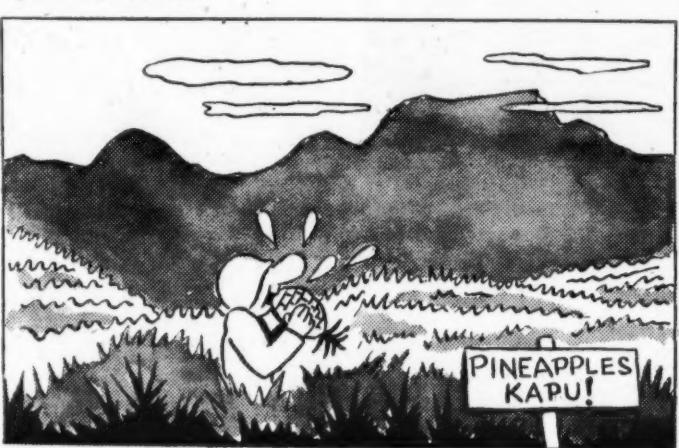
I never drink, I never flirt.
I never gossip, or spread the dirt.
I have no line, or funny tricks.
But what the hell—I'm only six.

After a GI wolf finds that a girl
isn't an angel, he tries to discover to what extent.

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EE GUARD,

Soldier Shows

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CAMP CHAFFEE, Ark.—The men of Chaffee are shortly to be regaled with an all-star show that will feature the best talent on the post. At the present writing, the Special Service Officers of Chaffee's 16th Headquarters, Special Troops, Second Army, know that the show will be a terrific success and does not know who will be in the all-star cast. Paradoxically but true, for here's what's cookin' in the Chaffee Soldier Show Program pot: A series of six different shows to be presented by six different post groups (Medics, Clerks, Transportation, et al) got off to a flying start with the 519th Military Police Battalion's meiotic and mirthful production, a revue known as "Bars And Stripes." The quintet of shows to follow will compete with a vengeance to equal or surpass the success of the GI cops' show. When all six productions have hit the boards and met the acid test of presentation before GI audiences, an impartial committee of judges (one from each of the six production groups) will winnow the talent, select the best, and combine it into one big surefire show. The healthy competition, inter-group coordination, and talent-unearthing realized by the "Chaffee Method" make it a model procedure for other posts to follow in developing their Soldier Show schedules.

PRODUCTION HINTS

GI DANCE COSTUME—Many a GI show reaches new heights of hilarity in comedy dance numbers executed by clumsy but determined soldiers togged out in simulated female dance outfits. Inasmuch as bona fide women's clothing is rarely to be found in combat (and even many garrison) areas, the aforementioned simulation is well nigh imperative. The ingenious Soldier Show producers at Shenango (Camp Reynolds), Pennsylvania, have the answer. They recently staged a ballet number in which clodhopping GI's wore costumes thrown together from nothing but equipment actually issued to all troops going into combat. Herewith a description of said costumes:

1. Headress—A fatigue hat with a canteen cover set atop it upside down and tied under the chin with a GI shoe lace.

2. Brassiere—A pack carrier across the chest with one strap around the midriff and the other around the neck.

3. Underpants—A pair of regular GI shorts on backwards.

4. Skirt—A shelter half around the waist with two corners meeting at the right hip and held together with a tent peg. The right leg was left showing as is usual with a bona fide female split skirt, and the left corner of the shelter half was held in the left hand of the dancer.

5. Gauntlets—A pair of GI leggins, faced up and wrapped around the forearm with the under-the-arch strap wrapped around the palm of the hand.

6. Shoes and stockings—Strictly GL.



TRICKS of the glamour photog trade for pin-ups are bared with this picture by Miehle, who says it has glamorous curves and a glamorous smile and therefore causes glamorous thoughts.

ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR

If a couple of pink elephants had appeared for roll call, 1st Sgt. Edward J. Hanson, Battery B, 786th Tank Battalion, at FORT SILL, Okla., wouldn't have been much more surprised than he was when a sailor in his whites appeared in the line-up. Here's how: Five sailors were stranded night before in nearby Lawton, Okla. They met a member of the Tank Battalion and were invited to spend the night. Four of them stayed in bed in the morning, but the fifth decided to get a taste of soldier life and made the morning formation. After breakfast the five sailors had a chance to compare the comfort of riding the waves with that of a Sherman tank. They said they liked it.

Pvt. Linwood Kasey, of SMOKY HILL FIELD, Kan., must have some very good friends among his buddies. With a furlough in his hand Linwood was waiting for the train to take him home to Vinton, Va., when he discovered that his billfold, with all his funds, was missing. T/Sgt. Hugh Moore heard about the loss, called a meeting of the barracks members and in no time at all over \$300 was collected to cover Kasey's furlough. Kasey, in his turn, took just enough to cover his expenses home. Everybody was happy.

No mike is necessary when colored Pvt. Alfred Lightfoot sings anywhere

at KEESLER FIELD, Miss. His bass voice is so powerful that it reaches almost anywhere. Lightfoot's singing is so popular he is being touted as another Paul Robeson.

Quartermaster soldiers at FORT WARREN, Wyo., had a letter the other day from S/Sgt. William W. Perry, who had recently been transferred from the Wyoming post to CAMP LEE, Va. Perry doesn't appear to appreciate the shift, since he wrote: "I never knew what heat was before. This is a good conditioning spot for those who expect to end up in hell."

When Pvt. Nin Lum walked into AAF Redistribution Station No. 1 at ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., to pick up a furlough, he was surprised in being greeted by the sergeant with something like "Ni Yow Negwa Chen," which, in English, means: "Have you enough dough to see you through?" His reply, "Wa chi yow id ya Negwa chen, wa shah sheh," assured the sergeant that he was well healed. The mystery was solved when Sgt. Frank W. Farrow, Wichita, Kan., explained that he had lived in Tientsin, China, for some years before the war. "I attended a language school an hour a day for six months," he said. "That's enough to give you a working knowledge of the language."

The "Tale of a Shirt" came up in new form for Pvt. Sam Alpert, of the Command Headquarters Squadron at DANIEL FIELD, Ga. He was getting ready for a shower when a shirtless figure bent over washing, whom he did not recognize, suggested: "Would you mind moving my shirt? I don't want the shower to wet it." Alpert cursed under his breath, said ungraciously: "What's wrong with you? Break your arm?" and grabbed the shirt. Only then did he note two bars on the collar. He looked at the supposed stranger and he recognized him as his squadron CO, Capt. John C. Stratton.

Pvt. Joe "Blue Eyes" Kovack, of FORT CROCKETT, Tex., made a date over the 'phone and thought he was getting a beautiful and sophisticated 'phone operator. When his date materialized he found the lady was a pig-tailed, bobby-haired member of the Frank Sinatra-admirer group. Joe says she had that perpetual "Why Daddy!" expression. Next time he's going to make his dates more directly.

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Quiz Answers

(See "Army Quiz," Page 15.)

(See "Army Quiz," page 5.)

1. C. Three of the Bonin Islands are named "Chichi"—Father; "Haha"—Mother; "Ani"—Elder Sister.

2. B.

3. Russian and French troops penetrated East Prussia in 1914, but were quickly driven out. The last real invasion of this section of Germany was by Napoleon.

4. C.

5. B and D.

6. C.

7. The American Fourth Army is at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., under the command of Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson.

8. C.

9. Brest.

10. C. Six typical divisions in 1918 got 7.5 months of training. Six similar divisions now engaged in the war theaters had 36 months of training from activation till they entered combat.

Churchill Hopes For 'Free Italy'

ROME—Prime Minister Churchill in a farewell message to the Italian people declared his hope that a "free and progressive" Italy will take her place among the leading nations of Europe, but indicated she cannot expect to sit as a full ally at the peace table at the end of the war, which he said "may not be so far off as was formerly expected."

He announced that he was directing British representatives on international bodies to "do their utmost" to correct Italian hardships, and that "large new Italian forces will soon join the Allied armies."

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